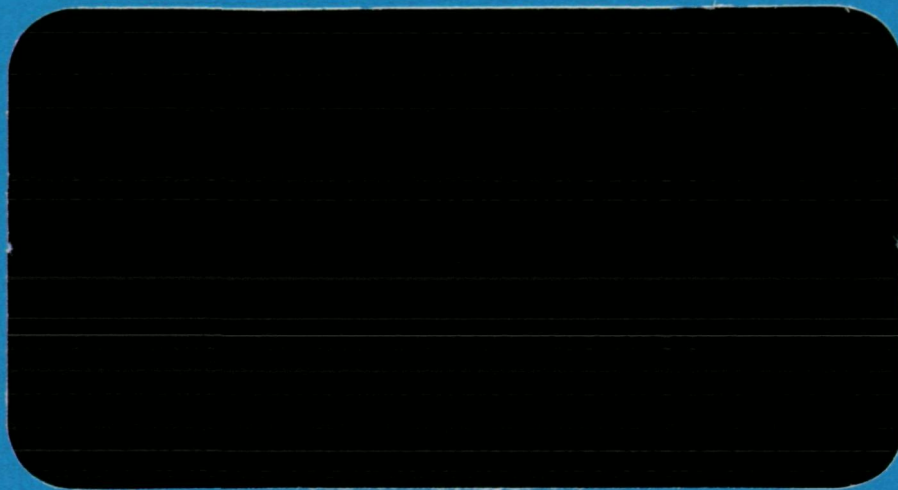


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## ABSTRACT

A 1/8th scale Structural Dynamics model of a parallel burn Space Shuttle has been designed. Basic objectives were to represent the significant low frequency structural dynamic characteristics while keeping the fabrication costs low.

The model was derived from the proposed Grumman Design 619 Space Shuttle. The design includes an Orbiter, two Solid Rocket Motors (SRM) and an External Tank (ET). The ET consists of a monocoque  $\text{LO}_2$  tank (.02" walls and .016" lower dome), an intertank skirt (.05" skins) with three frames to accept SRM attachment members, an  $\text{LH}_2$  tank (.025" and .016" skins) with 10 frames of which 3 provide for orbiter attachment members, and an aft skirt with one frame to provide for aft SRM attachment members. The frames designed for the SRM attachments are fitted with transverse struts to take symmetric loads. The SRM consists of a monocoque (0.2" skins) cylinder representing the propellant carrying structure, a simplified forward skirt with two frames and longerons for interstage attachments, and an aft conical skirt with one frame for interstage attachments and 4 longerons representing the on-pad support structure. The orbiter consists of an aft section representing simplified version of the major load paths between engines and the aft interstage attachment, a midsection formed from U shaped frames spaced about 10" apart covered by a .02" skin, provisions for 3 different payload lengths, wings designed as 6 spars covered by .02" skins, a simple torque box representing the fin out to the c.g., and a tapered non-circular shell representing the cabin.

The model design details are presented in 41 drawings which have been filed with the Dynamic Loads Branch of the Loads Division at the NASA/Langley Research Center.

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MODEL DESCRIPTION

## SUMMARY

The basic objectives of the 1/8th scale Preliminary Structural Dynamics model are to:

- o Provide early verification of analytical modeling procedures on a Shuttle-like structure.
- o Demonstrate important vehicle dynamic characteristics of a typical Shuttle design
- o Disclose any previously unanticipated dynamics problems
- o Demonstrate optimum configuration changes for eliminating critical problem areas
- o Provide for development and demonstration of cost-effective and efficient prototype testing procedures

The design objective for this task was to represent important structural dynamic characteristics (discussed in CR 112196) while keeping the fabrication costs low. The basis for the model was the Grumman proposed Design 619 Space Shuttle which was a 4.8M lb. GLOW 182 ft. long parallel burn configuration. Simplifications included extensive use of constant thickness unstiffened skins in place of variable thickness skin-stringer-frame construction, frames designed as back-to-back channel with elements formed from cut flat plates fastened between them to act as fittings in place of machined frames, and simple tubular struts with standard AN end fittings for interstage members in place of more elaborately formed members. These and other simplifications in the design resulted in locally stiffer and heavier areas than would occur in a full replica model, however, they were necessary to keep the fabrication costs within target. Structural joints in the model were designed to be simpler and stiffer than the



prototype in an effort to avoid the extra flexibility which has occurred in replica scaling down to thin gages.

The model consists of 4 elements. An Orbiter, and External Tank and two Solid Rocket Motors. Since investigation of hydroelastic effects was an important objective in the test program, and since the ET flexibility and weight was expected to be the most significant factor in the low frequency modes, the ET was the first element to be designed.

The ET is 39.5" in diameter and 237.8" long and consists of a forward  $\text{LO}_2$  tank, an intertank skirt with provisions for attaching the SRMs, an aft  $\text{LH}_2$  tank with internal frames to support the Orbiter attachments, and an aft skirt providing the aft SRM attachment. In order to avoid buckling of the  $\text{LH}_2$  tank during vertical suspension of the model, it was designed to be supported from the intertank skirt. The  $\text{LO}_2$  tank is of welded monocoque constant thickness design 78.3" long. The forward portion is conical while the aft is cylindrical. Both regions have .02" thick walls. The bottom consists of an .016" thick lower dome. The intertank skirt is 29" long cylinder of .050" wall thickness. There are 3 frames to accept the SRM and the model suspension system attachments. The  $\text{LH}_2$  tank is a 144" long cylinder with 10 frames, 3 of which take the orbiter attachments and the remainder required to prevent buckling. The skin thickness is .025" in the upper regions of higher load and .016" for the remainder. The aft skirt is a simple .020" thick cylinder 13" long with a single frame to take the SRM attachments.

The SRM consists of a forward skirt with ET attachment provisions, a propellant cylinder, and an aft skirt with both ET attachment and hold-down support provisions. The propellant cylinders are 147.3" long, 19.5" in diameter with 0.2" thick walls.

The propellant simulation proposed is inert PBAN which has an inert salt in place of the oxidizer used in the active material. Six cylinders are proposed, two each to represent full, maximum  $q$  and burnout conditions. The forward skirt is a 23.6" long .05" thick cylinder with a forward and aft frame to provide for ET attachment. The aft skirt consists of a cylindrical and conical section. The 5" long by .062" thick cylindrical section contains the SRB to ET attachment frame. The 22" long .062" thick conical section progresses from 19- $\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter to 30.2". Four tapered longerons attached to this cone represent the hold-down supports.

When the ET and SRM designs were almost completed, manufacturing cost estimates were made to determine the fabrication cost target for the Orbiter. The Orbiter representation which met this requirement consisted of a forward non-circular shell representing the cabin, a midsection payload and wing area, and an aft section providing a representative engine and fin support structure. The fuselage external lines are simplified to minimize curved sections, the sides and bottom are flat as are the surfaces of the wings and fin stub. The forward .020" thick shell is 17.25" long and varies from 19" to 26.4" deep. Longerons are extended along the sides and slightly forward to constitute the forward hoist point when lifting the Orbiter separately from the remainder of the model. The midsection is 102.5" long and consists of a series of U shaped frames spaced every 10" running up to shoulder longerons along each side. These frames are covered by .020" thick skin. Payload attachment provisions are made at 4 locations along the length. The payload door is a semi-cylinder .016" thick divided into 7 segments along its length by V shaped angles which permit the door to carry torsion but not bending. The wings consist of 6 spars 2.5" deep at the tip and 6" deep at the root extending 49" from the fuselage and covered by .02"

skins. The aft section of the orbiter is 20" long and is designed to represent the basic load carrying structure between the orbiter engines and the ET thrust load attachment. At the aft end is an open frame which supports the aft fin beam. Forward of this is the engine bulkhead containing provisions for mounting representations of one upper and two lower engines. A sloping deck between the engine bulkhead and the aft payload bulkhead provides a load path from the upper engine to the shoulder longerons. Two struts provide a path of proper stiffness between the lower engines and the ET thrust attachment. Stability of the sloping deck and the strut attachment points is provided by vertical channels attached to the engine bulkhead.

## MODEL DESCRIPTION

Basically the design is a simplified 1/8th scale model of a parallel-burn Shuttle, which full scale is represented by the Grumman Design 619 (or GIII) shown in Figure 1. A summary weight statement for this prototype is listed in Table 1.

In simplifying the design, a major objective was to keep the fabrication costs within target while retaining as many of the significant structural characteristics important for dynamics as possible. The guide lines used are outlined in Section 1 of CR112196 prepared under NAS 1-10635-4.

### External Tank

The prototype design used as the basis for the model is shown in Figure 2. The principal parts of the external tank are the oxygen ( $LO_2$ ) tank, the intertank skirt, the hydrogen ( $LH_2$ ) tank, and the aft skirt.

Initially, in designing the model external tank, an effort was made to adhere to the scaled down cross-sectional area and the moment of inertia in bending for both the major structural elements and the interconnecting members. This proved to be difficult in the  $LH_2$  tank when an effort was made to provide for a test condition where the configurations without the SRM's were supported by the orbiter engine base. Buckling occurred if scaled down thicknesses were used even with the addition of rings at less than 2" spacing. Suspending the model from the intertank skirt at the interstage connection and thereby putting the  $LH_2$  tank in tension eliminated this problem below the suspension point but buckling was still present above the suspension point in the intertank skirt. Therefore, after discussion and a NASA review, the change of support point to the intertank skirt was made and the intertank skirt thickness was increased in gage until buckling was no longer a problem. This

approach also minimizes fabrication costs. The comparison in areas and inertias between the prototype direct scaling and the model design is shown on Figures 3 and 4. It was felt that the resulting configuration would still provide a good check of analytical methods, and that the major structural dynamic interactions between the model SRM, external tank, and orbiter would still demonstrate the type of behavior anticipated on the prototype.

The prototype  $\text{LO}_2$  tank was monocoque construction with variable tapered skin thicknesses as shown on Figure 5. The model tank is also monocoque. The lower dome is formed of 3 spherical segments to save the tooling required for an elliptical shape. The thickness which varied in the prototype, is kept constant in the model at .016". A thicker section is retained adjacent to the Y ring to permit welding. The model Y ring is considerably larger than the scaled down prototype dimensions and is made in simple tapered shape to expedite analysis. The cylindrical section of the model  $\text{LO}_2$  tank which if scaled directly, would require variable-thickness (.023 to .016") is kept constant at .020". The conical section (scaled prototype design .016" to .012") is kept constant at .020" to avoid welding difficulties. The upper dome which, if scaled directly, would have been .0065" is .025" in the model in order to limit welding and handling difficulties. The upper dome is a single spherical section. A removable upper cover is added to permit inspection and cleaning of the model. The dimensions of the  $\text{LO}_2$  tank are adjusted to provide proper scaled  $\text{LO}_2$  weight using  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

The Intertank Skirt in the prototype was a ring-frame stiffened cylinder with one very large frame stiffened by internal struts (Section B-B, Fig. 2) to carry the SRM symmetric lateral (Y direction) load. These strut cross-sectional areas would be .16 to .19 sq. in. if directly scaled, but in order to achieve commonality of members throughout the model they are increased to .26 sq. in. Back-to-back channels are used in place of tubes. The skin gages required in the prototype varied from a minimum of .070" to a maximum of .2". Scaling these values down to .009" to .025" for the model would result in buckling in this area under handling and vibration test induced loads. Therefore, to avoid the complexity of many rings at close spacing, and chem milling to various thicknesses, it was decided to select a .050" aluminum skin which is the minimum for a uniform thickness. There are, therefore, only 3 frames required in this area of the model. The SRM axial loads are applied to two fittings on each side. One of these fittings is shown in detail in Section B-B on Figure 2. In the model, this fitting is also used to suspend the configuration. Therefore, the model is heavier than a scaled-down version of the prototype would be. In simplifying the design to reduce machining costs, still more weight and stiffness is unavoidably added.

The LH<sub>2</sub> tank prototype, as shown in Figure 2, was a ring-frame stiffened cylinder with 3 major frames and fittings to accept the orbiter induced loads. The skin thickness if scaled directly, would vary from .026" to .015". To simplify construction of the model, the skin is either left at .025" or chem milled to .016". The total number of ring frames and ring stiffeners is limited to 10, about half the number in the prototype. This is feasible because the buckling loads were low. All three ring frames are back-to-back channels having the same channel section in order to

save tooling costs. The I (area moment of inertia) selected for each of the frames is  $0.45 \text{ in.}^4$  which is approximately representative of the scaled prototype value of  $0.49 \text{ in.}^4$  for the forward interstage frame. The end domes in the model are  $.020''$  in place of the  $.009''$  scaled from the prototype in order to avoid welding and handling problems. They are formed with the same tooling as the  $\text{LO}_2$  tank dome and, therefore, unlike the prototype, they have the same geometry. The internal struts in the frames which distribute the aft orbiter loads are of the same geometry as the prototype but made from back-to-back sections in place of tubes in order to save tooling costs. The cross-sectional area of the model internal struts is larger than the scaled prototype value ( $.26 \text{ in.}^2$  in place of  $.23$  or  $.19 \text{ in.}^2$ ). The prototype orbiter drag fitting was as shown in Detail P of Figure 2. In the model, the drag fitting has the same effective line of action but is made of a single machined straight sided element which is stiffer and weighs more than the scaled prototype value.

The aft skirt in the model is simpler than the prototype since there is no beading of panels or ventral fins and only one ring frame which distributes the aft SRM loads. This is stiffened by lateral struts which would be  $.19$  to  $.22 \text{ in.}^2$  if scaled from the prototype, but which are  $.26 \text{ in.}^2$  in the model to save the cost of additional tooling. There is no full bulkhead installed in the model as there was in the prototype since the bulkhead was not considered significant for the structural dynamic characteristics.



## SRM

The prototype design used as the basis for the model is shown in Figure 6. The central cylindrical section which in the prototype is made of 6 segments of .57" thickness steel is modeled by a single 0.2" thick walled aluminum cylinder. The propellant is modeled by an inert propellant in which the oxidizer replaced by an inert salt. No structure was considered necessary to represent the upper dome of the prototype. The lower dome is represented by a conical section for simplicity.

The forward skirt in the prototype SRM was designed as an orthogonally stiffened steel cylinder with closely spaced longerons, and with 5 ring frames spaced about 26" apart. Skin thickness varied from .2" to .06". In the model, this is represented by an unstiffened .050" thick uniform aluminum cylinder which represents average thickness, and because this thickness will prevent buckling under any of the model loading conditions. The forward skirt of the model has frames consisting of back-to-back channels located at the forward and aft intersections of the interstage struts with the skirt in order to take the SRM-to-external-tank loads. In the prototype, the forward frame had an area which varied from about 4 in.<sup>2</sup> to 10 in.<sup>2</sup>, with a corresponding variation in I from 125 in.<sup>4</sup> to 490 in.<sup>4</sup>. The aft frame area varied from 1.8 in.<sup>2</sup> to 6.2 in.<sup>2</sup>, and the I from 18 in.<sup>4</sup> to 106 in.<sup>4</sup>. On the model, both are represented by the same frame with an area of .27 in.<sup>2</sup> and an inertia of .28 in.<sup>4</sup> which, when scaled up to prototype size and material, would represent a 5.7 in.<sup>2</sup> area and a 430 in.<sup>4</sup> inertia. This is considered within the proper range for the forward frame.

The prototype geometry of the interstage strut fittings is retained but the model fittings are simplified. The interstage strut attachment lugs are fabricated from plate to save machining costs. This makes the model elements heavier than scaled down prototype design. The SRM recovery system is represented by lumped weight attached to the forward ring.

The aft skirt of the prototype which contains the hold-down fittings and SRM-to-external-tank fittings, was designed as an orthogonally stiffened conical frustrum with stringers every 4 degrees and ring frames approximately every 24". The prototype material was steel. Skin thicknesses varies from 0.3" to .075". This structure is simulated in the model by a conical .062" unstiffened uniform aluminum skin. The prototype had 4 major tapered longerons extending from the hold-down fittings to the SRM cylinder each with a maximum area of 10 in.<sup>2</sup> and an inertia of 389 in.<sup>4</sup>. These are represented in the model by back-to-back channels which when scaled up to prototype material and dimensions have an area of 8.6 in.<sup>2</sup> and an inertia of 280 in.<sup>4</sup>. Above the conical section of the aft SRM skirt, the prototype had a short cylindrical section containing the fittings for the struts linking the SRM to the external tank and containing the ring which fastens to the aft portion of the SRM propellant cylinder. On the prototype, this ring was a double U shaped section about 10- $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep by 4- $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide with an area of about 20 in.<sup>2</sup> and an inertia of about 290 in.<sup>4</sup>. A simpler single U section is used in the model having an area equivalent to 13 in.<sup>2</sup> and an inertia of 95 in.<sup>4</sup> when scaled to prototype dimensions and material. The short cylindrical section of the model forward of the U ring has the same skin thickness (.062") as the conical section, and is terminated in a ring for attaching to the model SRM cylinder. This area, while not representative of the

prototype, is designed to have stiffness compatible with the upper portion of the conical skirt.

#### Orbiter

The prototype structural arrangement used as a basis for the orbiter model is shown on Figure 7.

The aft portion of the model fuselage has similar geometry as the prototype but is designed with only two full bulkheads, one aft frame and two intermediate frames in place of the larger number on the prototype. The upper cutouts in the prototype which provided for the OMS and abort SRM's are not modeled, instead full frames are used. The external lines of the model are simplified and straightened compared to the prototype to reduce fabrication costs. The cross-sectional areas of the struts between the lower engines and the aft interstage fitting are scaled directly from the prototype as were the side longeron areas. A simple fin structure which extends up to the location of the fin c.g. is also included in the model. The skin gages in the bulkheads (.032" aft and .040" forward) are adequate for fabricating, thick enough to avoid buckling, and heavy enough to simulate some of the non-structural weight in the prototype. The in-plane areas of the prototype bulkheads are not scaled for the model in order to avoid structural complexities and because it is not considered significant in establishing the primary structural dynamic characteristics of the model. All side skins of the model fuselage are .020" thick, which is adequate to avoid buckling. The scaled down prototype dimension for the fuselage side skins is .012" but this would require intermediate rings and longerons in the model and increase the cost of the fabrication. The deck of the model which distributes the upper engine loads to the longerons is .016" thick and correctly scales the prototype stiffness (area/length).

The prototype fuselage mid-section consisted of closely spaced frames covered by corrugated outer skin carrying TPS tiles. The model has similar but simplified geometry and structural arrangement. The model consists of series of more widely spread U shaped frames spaced every 10" covered by a .020" side skin and .025" bottom skin. This skin thickness is enough to prevent buckling under static load but it results in a larger area and inertia than the scaled prototype values as shown in Figures 8 and 9. Payload support provisions are made at 4 different stations to permit variations to be tested. The longerons of the model are designed to furnish the proper scaled area for the aft end of the orbiter. It is kept at a constant area for the entire length of the fuselage to limit fabrication costs. In order to simulate the prototype weight, about 0.8 lbs/inch, including the structure, would be required on the model. This is accomplished by increasing the thickness of the frame webs where stiffness is not significantly affected.

The wing of the model consists of 6 beams covered top and bottom by flat plates. Wing root connections are made by bolts in shear through the webs of the beams and machine screws connecting the top and bottom wing skins to the fuselage. This method of attachment simulates the prototype. The prototype had a corrugated double skin with an average thickness of .16" to .14". This structure is simulated in the model by a .020" sheet. Since the wing depth of the model is properly scaled, the prototype inertia at the wing root is properly represented on the model. A constant skin thickness is used over the entire model wing to control costs and this does give the proper order of magnitude for inertia since the beam depth decreases toward the model wing tip. The proper weight for the wing including the TPS panels is simulated on the model by adding thickness to the webs of the spars. The model

wing does not have chordwise trusses or beams (typical of the prototype) so that loads applied away from the outer periphery are not distributed properly between spars, but loads applied at the outer edges are properly transmitted by the top and bottom covers. Therefore, realistic modes are anticipated if shakers are kept at the periphery of the wing. The RCS wing tip pods of the prototype are simulated by lumped weights on the model.

The orbiter interstage fittings duplicate the prototype geometry using simplified components.

The orbiter model payload bay door consists of a removable 7 segmented semi-cylindrical cover skin which can take loads in torsion but not in tension and compression, thereby simulating the structural properties of the prototype door in a closed and locked position. The minimum skin gage which could be used for the door in order to prevent buckling is .016", which is quite thick compared to the scaled prototype value of .00325".

The forward fuselage in the model consists of a tapered non-circular stiffened shell extending through the cabin location. The two side longerons of the fuselage mid-section are extended through this area in order to provide a forward orbiter model hoist point. There are provisions for attaching weights simulating the forward equipment. Additional stabilizing stiffeners are added to the model to prevent buckling. Local stiffnesses are not considered significant for vehicle structural dynamic characteristics and are, therefore, not scaled.

Complete design drawings of the 1/8th scale dynamic model are available at the Dynamics Loads Branch, Loads Division, NASA/Langley Research Center. An assembly drawing of the model showing the major components and overall dimensions is presented in Figure 10.

SUSPENSION SYSTEM FOR MODEL

## Suspension System For Model

The objectives of this system are to provide support which does not interfere with measurements of the unrestrained structural dynamic characteristics, such as mode shapes modal frequencies and damping during tests, while keeping the support induced buckling and handling loads to a minimum. The system should also permit the ready disassembly and changes in the model elements required by the test program. The system must be compatible with the current support structure (Backstop) in the NASA Langley Dynamics Research Laboratory, and should be relatively inexpensive to implement.

### Suspension Concepts

Various support concepts were considered for use on the model. These included the systems analyzed by R. W. Herr and H. D. Carden in USAF RTD-TDR-63-4197 (Sept. 1963). Vertical suspension of the launch configuration is necessary to obtain the proper hydroelastic interactions in the  $IO_2$  tank. Successful use of air springs for large vehicles at Grumman prompted the adoption of 0.5 hz units, remaining from the IM program to provide vertical isolation. Horizontal isolation is complicated because unlike previous axisymmetric models, the Shuttle center of gravity shifts laterally with reduction in fuel so that the attitude changes for most practical vertical suspensions. Base support springs as used on the full scale Saturn V Dynamic Test Vehicle were considered too expensive and a cable system was therefore adopted. A single cable was impractical because no adequately strong suspension point was available. Therefore the system described below was adopted and designed.

### Recommended Suspension Scheme

A modified two cable suspension system shown schematically in Figure 11 was selected. The modification consists of a bridle positioned between each suspension cable and the model. The bridle is routed



thru a sheave on the suspension cable and each end is attached to an SRM interstage fitting on the same side of the HO tank. This arrangement offers the advantage of supporting the model at the same four points at which the SRM thrust is introduced on the full size vehicle, minimizing the effect of the suspension loads on the model and permitting the model to assume its equilibrium attitude at any level of propellant loading.

Within the restraints shown on Dwg AD 383-500, the primary suspension system may be routed in any number of ways thru a system of sheaves mounted on the upper backstop structure. One such routing is presented on Figure 11 .

Provision for changing the SRM propellant level between tests was an important consideration in the design of the overall system. Discussion with NASA concluded that changing propellant cylinders, (relatively long and heavy masses,) on both SRM's with the model suspended was not desirable, and, that the approach should be to first lower the model and to support it vertically on the floor prior to replacing the cylinders. Since the suspended model can be in any of three possible attitudes this requires that it be oriented vertically prior to lowering. Also shown in Figure 11 is a proposed routing of the model leveling cable system. It should be noted that this routing is proposed to run parallel to that of the suspension system in order to maintain the attitude attained by use of the leveling system while the model is being raised or lowered.

Both cable systems are interconnected by a hydraulic ram and sheave arrangement, also shown in Figure 11 . The hydraulic ram is proposed, permitting remote operation and selection of rate, however, any mechanical device of adequate capacity, such as a chain hoist, could be used instead . The ram changes the model orientation by varying the distance between the two sheaves, one being held fixed by the cable to the actuator on the floor by a winch or ram or any other satisfactory device, the other connected to the orbiter and free to move. During tests the leveling ram is fully extended permitting the model to assume its equilibrium attitude. The slack leveling cables may be left attached to the orbiter or disconnected. The model may be

raised or lowered in any attitude by means of the floor mounted actuator.

Drawing AD 383-500-1 showing the extreme positions anticipated for the range of weights to be tested with and without SRM is shown on Figure 12. Also shown is the clearance anticipated. The orbiter alone could be readily suspended from the forward attachment point, and an aft handling point at the top of the fin is available for support during any required movement.

#### Estimated Suspension System Frequencies

The fundamental model free resonant frequency is expected to be about 8 hz. Therefore suspension frequencies below .8 hz would be desirable for the support system. The IM airsprings will furnish a .5 hz vertical suspension which should be adequate. Laterally the combination of rocking and pendulum motion is anticipated. To estimate the lateral frequencies, the model was analyzed in two planes separately assuming the vertical airspring was not effective.

In the plane where the vertically suspended model is viewed from directly in line with left wing, the right hand bridle attachments are directly behind those on the left hand side and the system acts like a simple physical pendulum with the center of gravity below the point of support, as described on page 250 of "Advanced Dynamics" by Timoshenko and Young. The two resonant frequencies were calculated for 5 weight conditions from full-up (9432 lbs.) to just prior to decoupling the external tank (675 lbs). The resonant frequencies for the lightest condition were 0.61 hz and 0.18 hz, while those for the heaviest were 0.37 hz and 0.19 hz.

In the plane at right angles to this, where the suspended vehicle is viewed from directly in line with the orbiter fin no adequate expression for the resonant frequencies was found. An approximate expression was developed using Lagrange's equations and assuming small motions and equivalence of small angles as shown in Appendix B. The resonant frequency in this plane varied from .20 to .26 hz for the range of weights from full (9432 lbs.) to almost empty (675 lbs). A more detailed analysis would include the effects of the vertical flexibility

however the resonant frequencies for the idealized cases are considered sufficiently low to provide confidence that the isolation furnished by the suspension should be adequate.

#### Handling Procedures

The procedure recommended for the initial assembly of the model is listed on Figure 10. The weights and angles anticipated for various loading conditions are shown schematically in the Stress Report on page 22 "Flow Chart For Model Handling".

STRESS ANALYSIS

### STRESS ANALYSIS

The Stress Analysis includes the following:

1. A discussion of ground rules concerning the handling of the model.
2. Presentation of the loads associated with these ground rules.
3. Documentation of model geometry at internal interfaces, and the determination of model loads for which the model structure was checked.
4. Analysis of a typical SRM drag strut.

The detailed analysis of the basic internal model is not presented herein. In designing a 1/8 scale model, true scaling results in margins of safety up to 8 times those on the prototype for the same accelerations. For this model, for cost control and design simplicity, many critical structural areas show even greater margins of safety. Each drawing was reviewed to assure adequate factors of safety and stability for all defined load conditions. It is not considered necessary to include all detailed calculations in this document.

#### Discussions of Ground Rules

Handling conditions are presented on Page 20.

All raising and lowering of the model shall be accomplished with the O<sub>2</sub> (water) tank of the external tank drained and empty; and with the model in a vertical orientation with the orbiter supported vertically from the nose fittings provided at Orbiter X Station 46. These stipulations are necessary to (1) prevent buckling of the intertank skirt between the pickup fittings and the O<sub>2</sub> tank Y ring and (2) to prevent compression bucking in the lower skin of the orbiter.

#### Loads Induced by Handling

The load factors acting on the dynamic model are tabulated on Page 20. These include mode survey as well as model ground handling conditions.

Flight configurations are designated by symbols "A" thru "G" as given on Page 21. Condition "A" is representative of the prelaunch configuration. Flight conditions progress until the last flight configuration condition "G" is achieved. The appropriate model weight for each flight condition is also listed on Page 21.

A "Flow Chart for Model Handling" is presented on Page 22. The chart lists the configuration sequences that the model sees in the test program. Configuration "A" may proceed to configuration "F" by means of 30 steps. Each step is designated by the step number encircled and an adjacent arrow. All 1 g support loads and the inertia loads on the model components for each step are given on Page 26. These support loads occur either at the base of the SRM or at interface

points 1 & 4. The interface points are located on Page 24. Ultimate loads for design for these locations are shown on Page 26.

#### Orbiter Loads

The orbiter weight distribution & inertias are presented on Page 27 & 29. The loads induced on the orbiter during handling are presented on Page 28. Loads induced at the interface locations due to a unit load applied at both the center of gravity & the forward nose hoist location are shown. The shear axial load & bending moments for a 1 g axial and lateral applied force are then determined as shown on Pages 30 to 33. These form the basis to check the strength of the orbiter fuselage.

Orbiter to external tank interface loads are obtained by applying unit loads at the interface locations and calculating the strut member loads & the tank support point reaction forces as shown on Page 34. The loads at these interface locations due to critical handling conditions on the orbiter are obtained by multiplying the appropriate values on Page 26 by the unit factors on Page 28 & are listed on Page 35. These are then converted to the member & fitting loads in the lower table on Page 35.

#### SRM Loads

A similar procedure is followed in determining the SRM induced loads on the external tank interfaces. The geometry & distribution of forces to the interfaces is shown on Page 36. The loads at the tank reaction points & in the truss members for a unit axial (1 lb.) load applied at the point designated 5' is shown on Page 37. A similar distribution for lateral (Y & Z) loads applied at the SRM center & for lateral loads and moments applied at the center of the external (HO) tank are shown on Page 38 for the forward interface & Page 39 for the aft interface. The reaction forces have been translated into axial, radial, & tangential forces & strut loads & summarized on Page 40. The critical handling conditions from Page 26 are then multiplied by these factors to give the ultimate loads as listed on Page 41. The primarily axial handling loads are combined with the lateral handling loads to give the design values listed on Page 41. A similar calculation for the loads in the SRM at these interfaces gives the values shown on Page 42.

#### Analysis of a Typical SRM Drag Strut

A typical analysis is shown on Page 43. The loads applied are determined on Page 41. Two cross sectional areas are checked and the margin of safety is .27.

1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODEL2. DISCUSSION OF LOAD FACTORS

$$\frac{\text{ULTIMATE}}{\text{LIMIT}} = 1.5$$

DURING MODE SURVEYS -  $\eta_x = 1.2 \text{ limit} \times 1.5 = 1.8 g's \text{ UCT}$

THIS LIMIT AXIAL LOAD FACTOR WAS SELECTED TO PROVIDE A .20 ENVELOPE ON BODY BENDING, SHEARS AND LOCAL INTERFACE LOADS DUE TO DYNAMIC LOADING. SEE APPENDIX A FOR ESTIMATES OF DYNAMIC LOADS DUE TO OSCILLATING SHAKER APPLIED FORCES AT THE ORATER ENGINE.

DURING RAISING AND LOWERING OF MODEL

$$\eta_x = 1.5 (\text{limit}) \times 1.5 = 2.25 g's \text{ UCT}$$

THIS LIMIT AXIAL LOAD FACTOR WAS SELECTED AS AN ENVELOPE TO ACCOUNT FOR STARTING AND STOPPING OF HOIST SYSTEM

AT IMPACT DURING JOINING OR SETTING DOWN OF MODEL

$$\eta_x = 2.0 (\text{limit}) \times 1.5 = 3.0 g's \text{ UCT}$$

ALL CABLE AND HOIST FITTING AND ATTACHMENTS

$$\eta_x = 2.0 (\text{limit}) \times 1.5 = 3.0 g's \text{ UCT}$$

LATERAL FORCES DURING HANDLING

$$\eta_y = \eta_z = .5 (\text{limit}) \times 1.5 = .75 g's \text{ UCT}$$

THIS VALUE FOR LATERAL LOAD FACTORS (ALONG THE Y AND Z AXES - SEE P. 23, AND 24) WAS SELECTED TO ACCOUNT FOR HANDLING FORCES



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## 3. MODEL LOADING CONDITIONS

THE FOLLOWING MODE SURVEY TEST CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED IN THIS ANALYSIS. ADDITIONAL INTERMEDIATE CONDITIONS ARE ALSO INVESTIGATED. (SEE P 22)

- A - CANTILEVERED PRE LAUNCH
- B - FREE - FREE POST LIFT OFF
- C - FREE - FREE MID BOOST (MAX  $g$ )
- D - FREE - FREE END BOOST (PRE SRM SEPARATION)
- E - FREE - FREE END BOOST (POST SRM SEPARATION)
- F - FREE - FREE HO BURNOUT (PRE HO SEPARATION)
- G - FREE - FREE ORBITER (POST HO TANK SEPARATION)

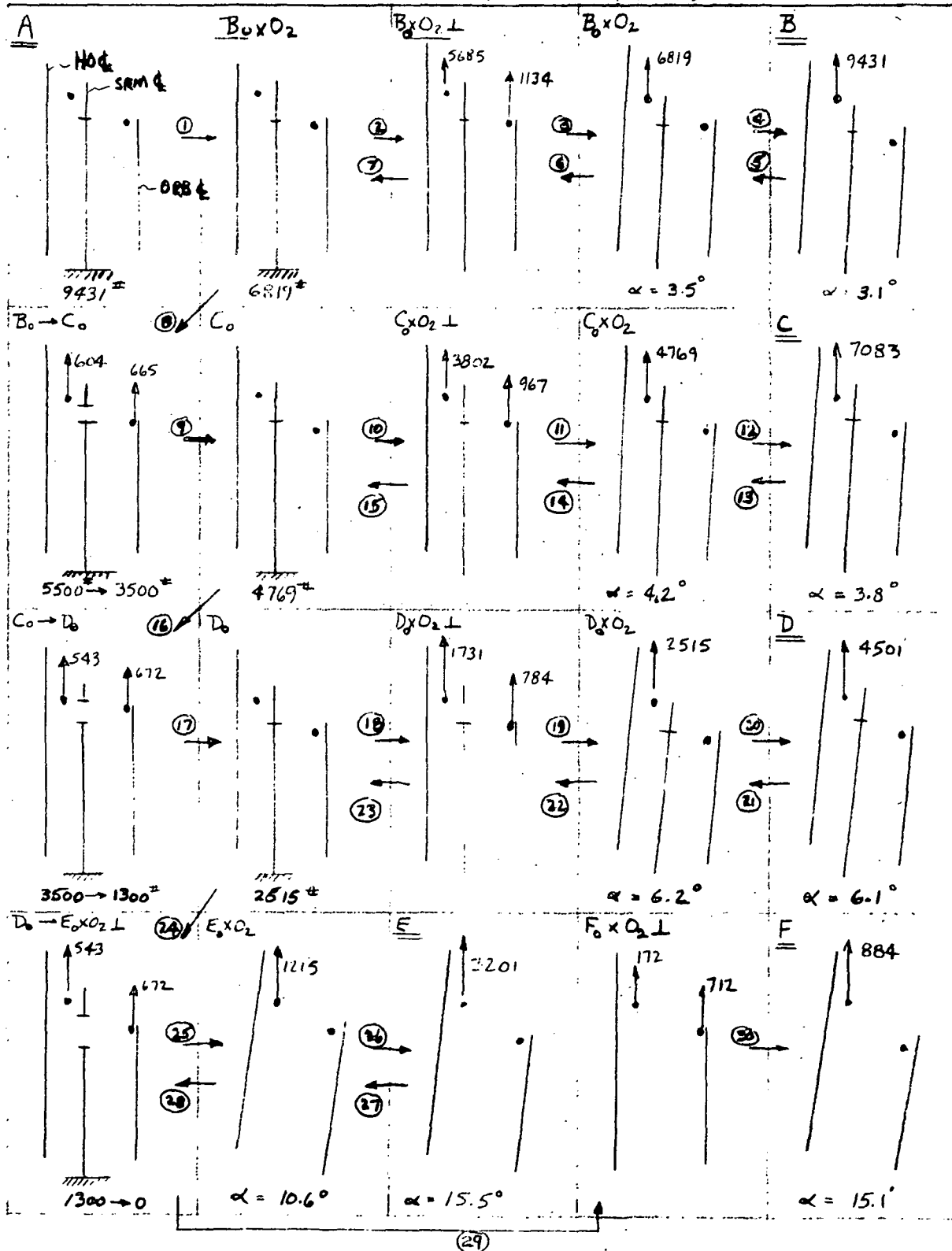
WEIGHT AND CENTER OF GRAVITY OF SIGNIFICANT MODEL MASSES ARE SHOWN IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE FOR EACH TEST CONDITION IN TERMS OF EXTERNAL TANK COORDINATES.

ITEM	COND	WEIGHT (LBS.)	EXT. TANK # COORD. IN.	
			X	Z
ORBITER	A → G	654	219.4	36.9
EXT. TANK LO <sub>2</sub>	A, B	2612	74.	0
	C	2314	78	0
	D, E	1986	82	0
	F, G	0	-	-
EXT. TANK LH <sub>2</sub>	A, B	435	190	0
	C	385	200	0
	D, E	331	209	0
	F, G	0	-	-
EXT. TANK STRUCT	A → F	230	150	0
	G	0	-	-
SRM PRO- PELLANT	A, B	5000	192.5	6.138
	C	3000	192.5	6.138
	D	800	192.5	6.138
	E → G	0	-	-
SRM STRUCT	A → D	500	192.5	6.138
	E → G	0	-	-

\* FWD LO<sub>2</sub> TANK DOME IS STATION X 34.16

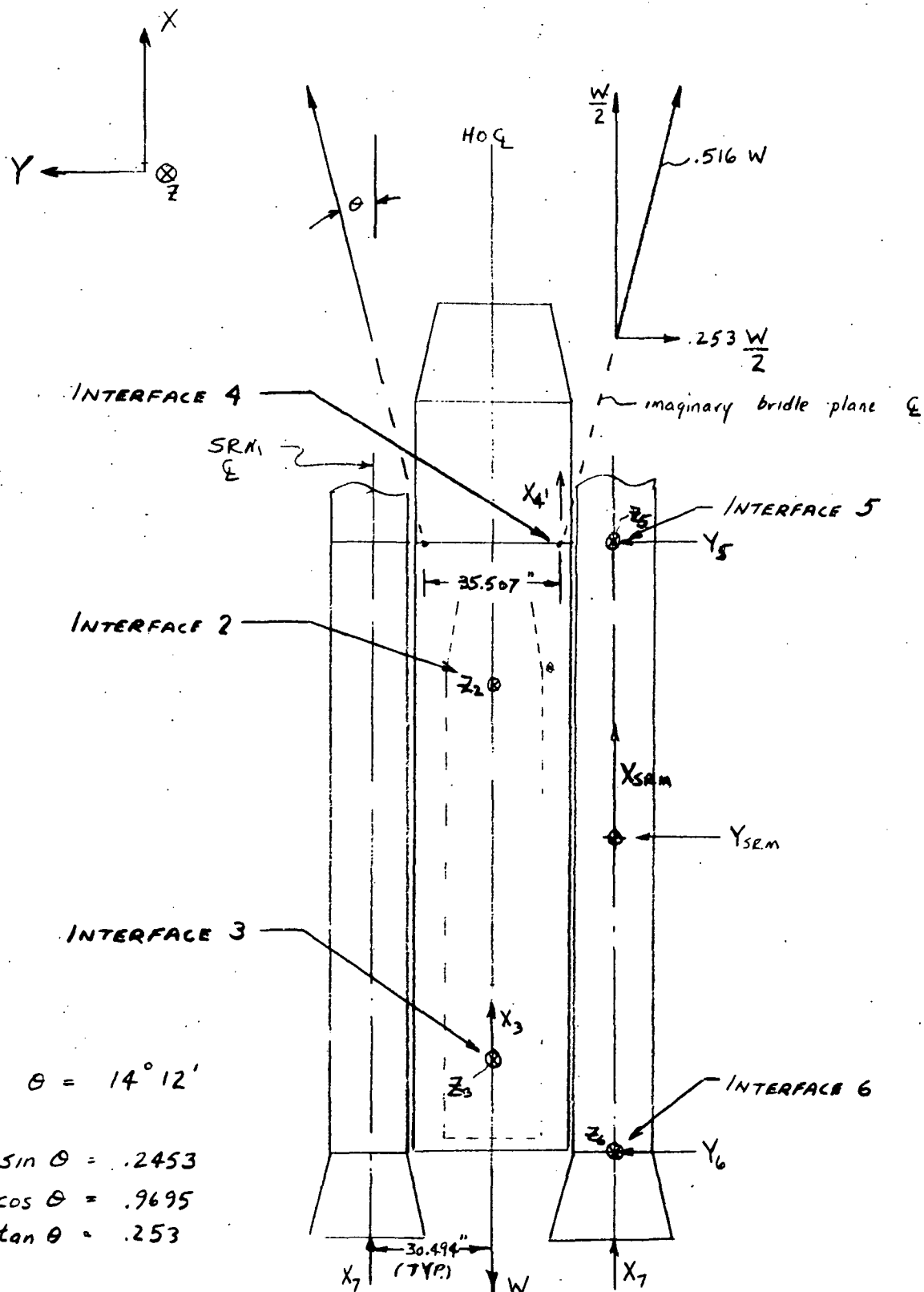
# 1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC Model - FLOW CHART FOR MODEL HANDLING

LEGEND: - A THRU E DENOTES TEST CONDITION,  $XO_2 = O_2$  DRAINED  
 ⊥ = SUPPORTED AT ① AND ④ VERTICALLY,  $\frac{1}{2}$  = DECOUPLE SRM PROPELLANT CYLINDER, 0 SUBSCRIPT DENOTES INTERMEDIATE CONDITION,  
 5500# → 3500# = CHANGE PROPELLANT (SRM) LOAD



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BASIC MODEL CONFIGURATION AND GEOMETRY (XY PLANE)



$\theta = 14^\circ 12'$

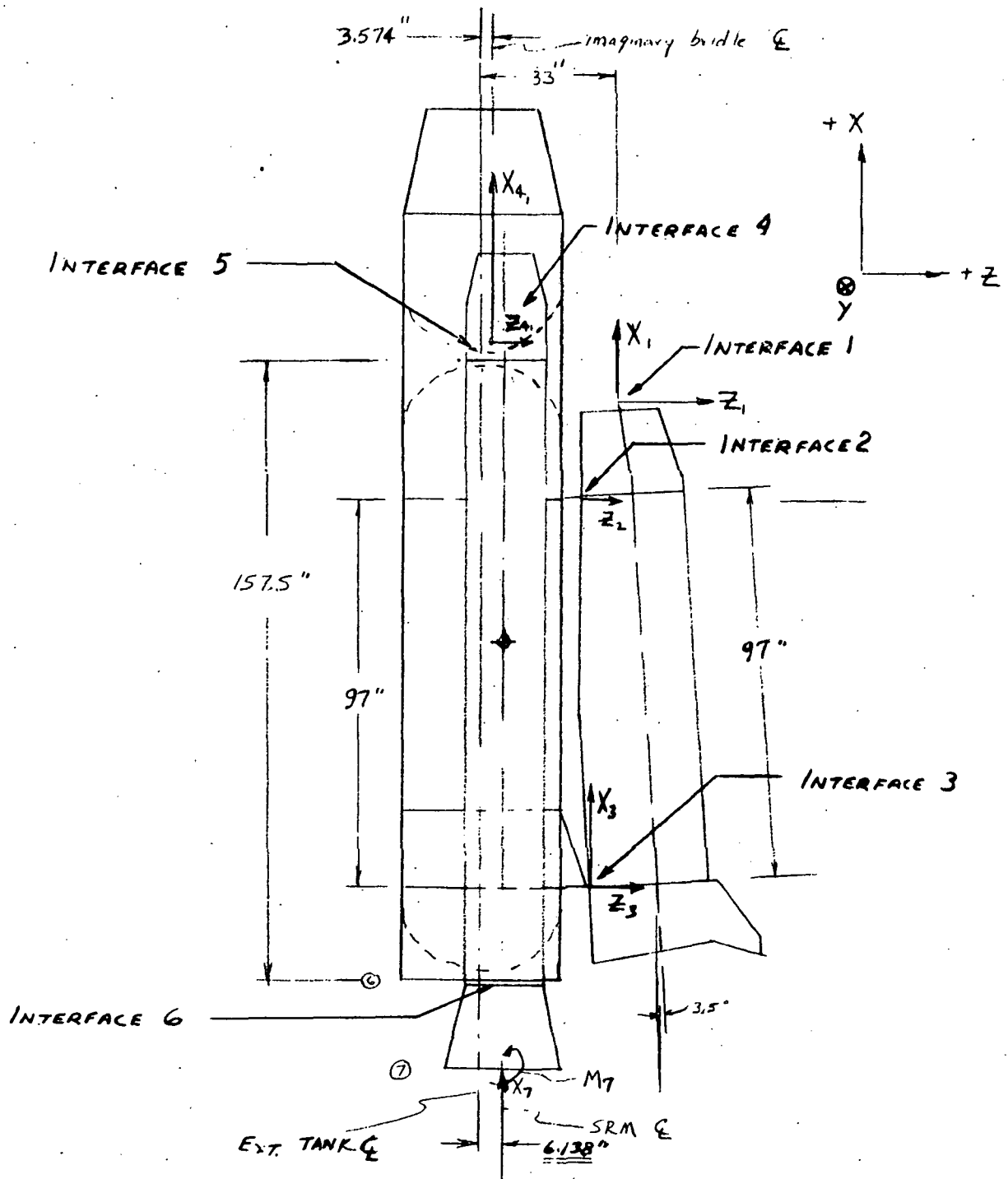
$\sin \theta = .2453$

$\cos \theta = .9695$

$\tan \theta = .253$

# 1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODEL

## BASIC MODEL CONFIGURATION AND GEOMETRY (XZ PLANE)



1g LOADING CONDITIONS	X <sub>1</sub>	Z <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>0</sub>	Z <sub>0</sub>	2X <sub>4</sub>	+Y <sub>4</sub>	2Z <sub>4</sub>	X <sub>H0</sub>	Z <sub>H0</sub>	2X <sub>SEA</sub>	2Z <sub>SEA</sub>	2X <sub>7</sub>	2M <sub>7</sub>
A	0	0	-654	0	0	0	0	-3277	0	-5500	0	+9431	0
B <sub>0</sub>	0	0	-654	0	0	0	0	-665	0	-5500	0	+6819	16,031
B <sub>XO2</sub> ⊥	1134	0	-654	0	5685	-720	0	-665	0	-5500	0	0	0
B <sub>XO2</sub> (α = 3.50)	0	0	-653	+40	6806	-862	-417	-664	+41	-5489	+336	0	0
B (α = 3.09)	0	0	-653	+35	9417	-1200	-509	-3272	+177	-5492	+297	0	0
B <sub>0</sub> ⊥	814	0	-654	0	8617	-1090	0	-3277	0	-5500	0	0	0
C <sub>0</sub> ⊥	665	0	-654	0	604	-76	0	-615	0	0	0	-	0
C <sub>0</sub>	0	0	-654	0	0	0	0	-615	0	-3500	0	+4769	16,338
C <sub>XO2</sub> ⊥	967	0	-654	0	3802	-480	0	-615	0	-3500	0	0	0
C <sub>XO2</sub> (α = 4.2)	0	0	-652	+47	4756	-604	-348	-613	45	-3491	+256	0	0
C (α = 3.77)	0	0	-653	+43	7068	-895	-464	-2923	+193	-3492	+230	0	0
C <sub>0</sub> ⊥	684	0	-654	0	6399	-810	0	-2929	0	-3500	0	0	0
D <sub>0</sub> ⊥	672	0	-654	0	543	-69	0	-561	0	0	0	0	0
D <sub>0</sub>	0	0	-654	0	0	0	0	-561	0	-1300	0	2515	16,669
D <sub>XO2</sub> ⊥	784	0	-654	0	1731	-220	0	-561	0	-1300	0	0	0
D <sub>XO2</sub> (α = 6.2)	0	0	-651	+71	2498	-318	-272	-555	60	-1292	141	0	0
D (α = 6.1)	0	0	-651	+70	4477	-571	-314	-2532	+178	-1294	139	0	0
D <sub>0</sub> ⊥	541	0	-654	0	3960	-500	0	-2541	0	-1300	0	0	0
E <sub>XO2</sub> ⊥	672	0	-654	0	543	-69	0	-561	0	0	0	0	0
E <sub>XO2</sub> (α = 10.50)	0	0	-642	+120	1195	-154	-223	-553	+103	0	0	0	0
E (α = 15.47)	0	0	-629	+175	3120	-405	-325	-2491	+150	0	0	0	0
E <sub>0</sub> ⊥	429	0	-654	0	2772	-350	0	-2547	0	0	0	0	0
F <sub>0</sub> ⊥	172	0	-654	0	712	-90	0	-230	0	0	0	0	0
F (α = 15.14)	0	0	-630	+171	852	-112	-231	-222	+60	0	0	0	0
G (α = 3.7°)	653	41	-653	-41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LOADS AT MODEL SUPPORT LOCATIONS, C.G. OF ORBITER, TANK, AND SEN FOR 1g YEARLY													
SEE P. 21 FOR DESCRIPTION OF LOAD CONDITIONS AND P. 22 FOR APPLIED LOADS AND P. 24 FOR GEOMETRY													

ULT LOAD FACTOR	ULTIMATE APPLIED LOADS TO MODEL	$\lambda_1$	$\bar{z}_1$	$X_{023}$	$Z_{020}$	$2X_4$	$\pm Y_4$	$2Z_4$	$X_{40}$	$Z_{110}$	$2X_{520}$	$2Z_{520}$	$\bar{z}_1$	$2M_7$
1.8	A	0	0	-1177	0	0	0	0	-5999	0	-9900	0	10000	0
3.0	B	0	0	-1962	0	0	0	0	-1995	0	-16500	0	20000	40093
2.25	B <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	2552	0	-1472	0	12791	-1620	0	-1496		-12775	0	0	0
1.5	B <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	0	0	-980	0	10209	-1293	-626	-996	62	-8234	524		
1.8	E	0	0	-1175	0	16951	-2160	-916	-5899	219	-9886	525	0	0
1.5	B <sub>0</sub> L	1272	0	-981	0	12926	-1635	0	-4916	0	-5250	0	0	0
2.25	C <sub>0</sub> L	1496	0	-1472	0	1357	-171	0	-1384	0	0	0	0	0
3.0	C <sub>0</sub> L	0	0	-1962	0	0	0	0	-1384	0	-10500	0	10000	49014
2.25	C <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	2176	0	-1472	0	8525	-1080	0	-1384	0	-7875	0	0	0
1.5	C <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	0	0	-975	0	7134	-906	-522	-920	68	-5237	324	0	0
1.8	C	0	0	-1175	0	12722	-1611	-839	-5261	347	-6286	44	0	0
1.5	C <sub>0</sub> L	1026	0	-981	0	9599	-1215	0	-4371	0	-5250	0	0	0
2.25	D <sub>0</sub> L	1512	0	-1472	0	12722	155	0	-1262	0	0	0	0	0
3.0	T	0	0	-1962	0	0	0	0	-1683		-2300	0	7500	50007
2.25	D <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	1764	0	-1472	0	3895	-495		-561	0	-2925	0	0	0
1.5	D <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	0	0	-977	0	3747	-477	-408	-833	90	-1938	212		
1.8	D	0	0	-1172	0	5039	-1028	-565	-4558	320	-2329	150	0	0
1.5	D <sub>0</sub> L	812	0	-981	0	5940	-750	0	-3820	0	-1750	0	0	0
2.25	E <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	1512	0	-1472	0	1222	-155	0	-1262	0	0	0	0	0
1.5	E <sub>0</sub> X <sub>0</sub> L	0	0	-963	0	1793	-231	-335	-830	154	0	0	0	0
1.8	E	0	0	-1132	0	5616	-729	-585	-4484	270	0	0	0	0
1.5	E <sub>0</sub> L	644	0	-981	0	4158	-525	0	-3820	0	0	0	0	0
2.25	F <sub>0</sub> L	387	0	-1472	0	1602	-203	0	-517	0	0	0	0	0
1.8	F	0	0	-1134	0	1524	-202	-416	-400	108	0	0	0	0
2.25	G	1490	92	-1490	-92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULTIMATE MODEL SUPPORT & C.G. LOADS														
THESE VALUES OBTAINED BY MULTIPLYING THOSE ON P.25 BY ULTIMATE FACTORS														



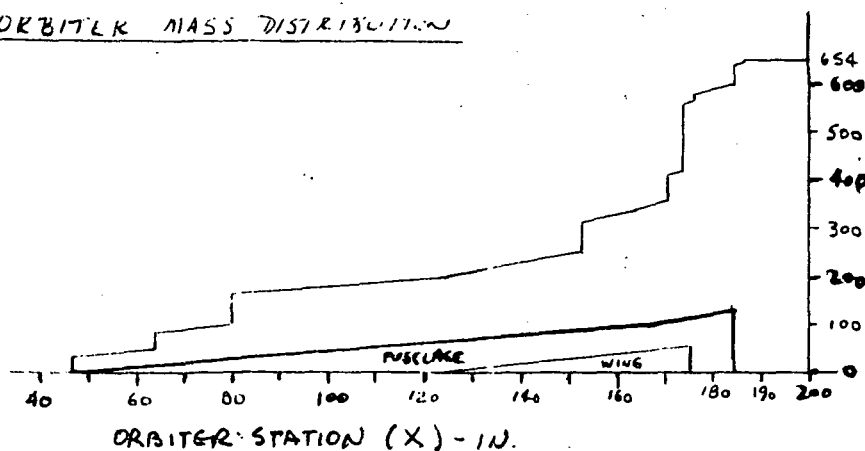
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## ORBITER MASS DISTRIBUTION

AREA	METHOD OF SIMULATION	WT. (LBS.)	ESTIMATED CG	
			ORBITER STA. (IN.)	Z <sub>ORG</sub> *
ORB. STA. 47 TO 165	FRAME BALLAST	95	108	6
CABIN	BALLAST	22	47	10
		35	64	10
PAYLOAD	BEAM WITH BALLAST	130	114	16
WING	RIB + SPAR BALLAST	61	150	2
OMS + FUEL	BALLAST	50	170	24
ORB. STA. 166-185	STRUCTURE	40	176	11
ENGINES	BALLAST	44	184	14
ABORT SRM	BALLAST	136	173	16
TAIL	BALLAST	11	186	42
ACS (NOSE)	BALLAST	14	47	8
ACS (WINGS)	BALLAST AT TIPS	16	175	3
PAYLOAD (FWD)	BEAM WITH BALLAST	(130)	(96)	16
ORBITER WITH NOMINAL PAYLOAD		654	137.9	12.8
ORBITER WITH MOST FWD PAYLOAD		654	134.3	12.8
ORBITER (LESS ABORT SRM) NOM. PAYLOAD		518	128.7	12.0
ORBITER (LESS ABORT SRM) MOST FWD. PAY.		518	124.2	12.0

\* INCHES ABOVE AFT INTERSTAGE ORBITER INTERFACE

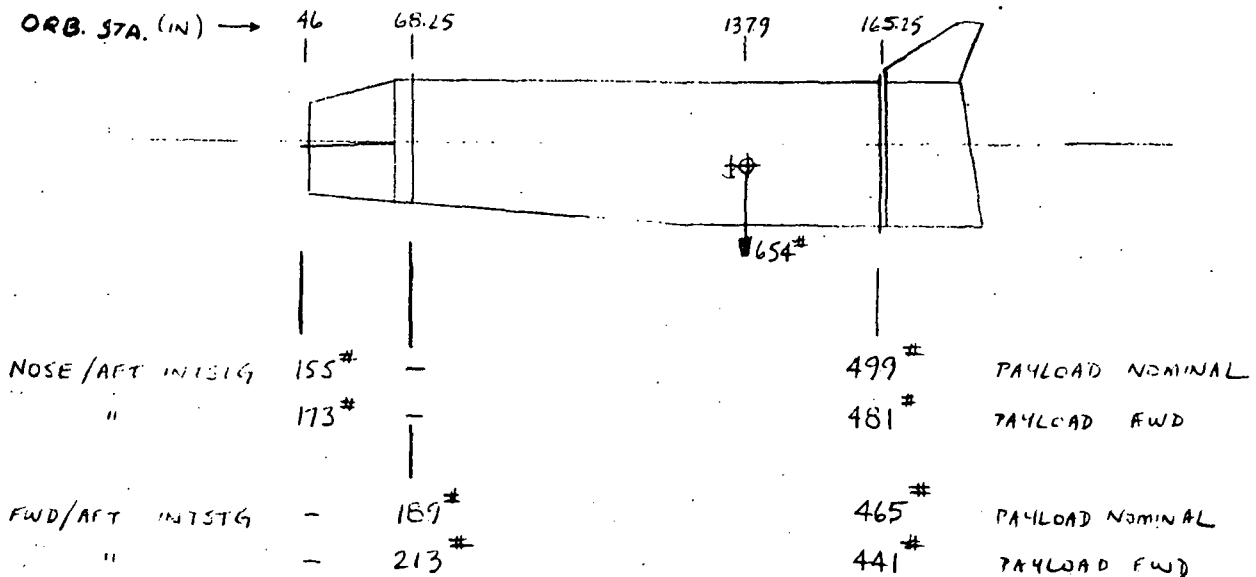
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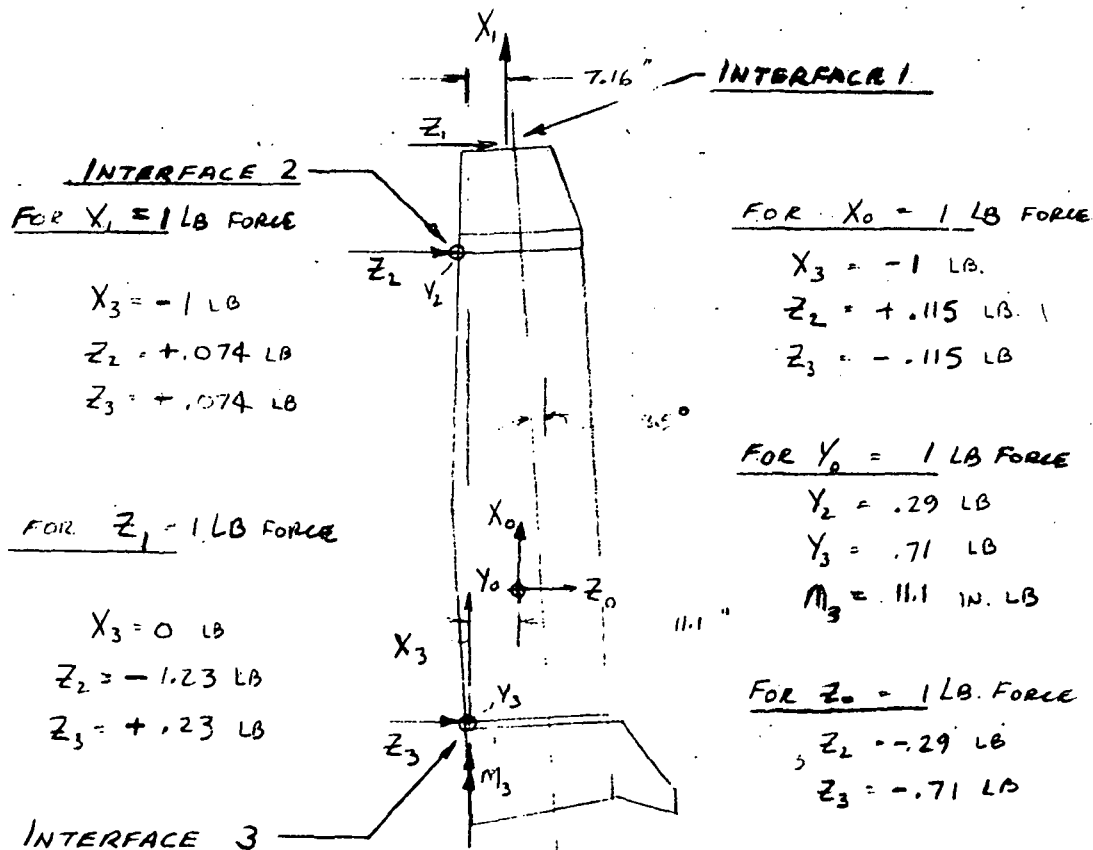


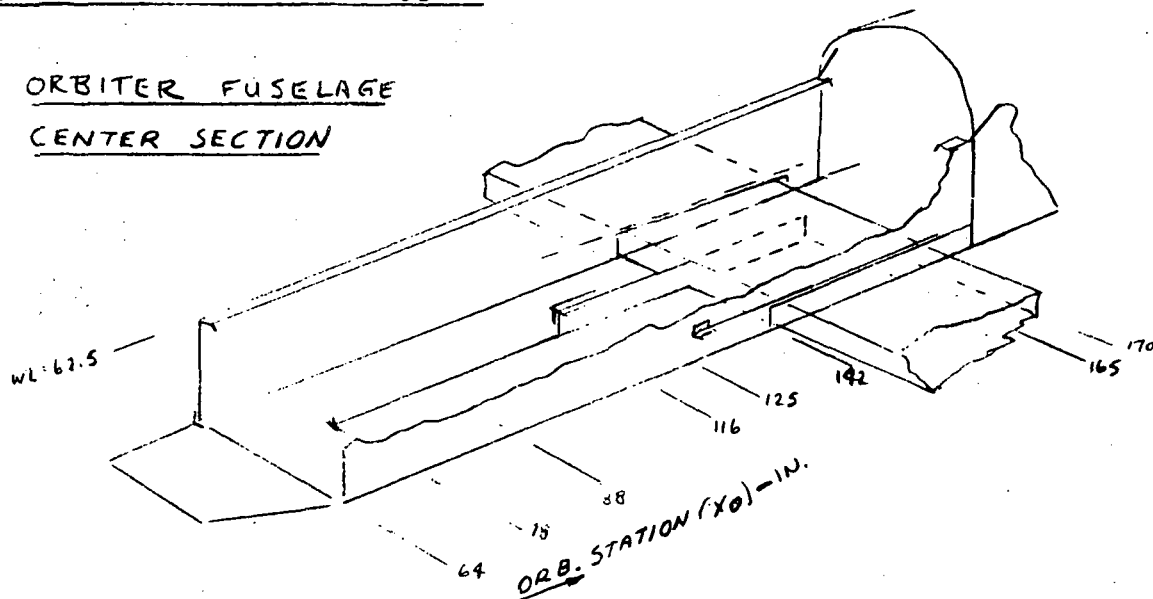
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## ORBITER HANDLING CONDITIONS



## ORBITER SUPPORTED AT HO TANK INTERSTAGES



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CENTER SECTIONSUMMARY of ORBITER SECTION PROPERTIES

$$X_0 = 64 \quad (WL = 53.07)$$

$$A = 1.46 \text{ in}^2, \quad I_{yy} = 43.95 \text{ in}^4$$

$$\frac{c}{I} (\text{LOWER}) = .101 \text{ in}^{-3} \quad \frac{c}{I} (\text{UPPER}) = .192 \text{ in}^{-3}$$

$$X_0 = 58 \quad (WL = 51.9)$$

$$A = 1.65 \quad I_{yy} = 56.12$$

$$\frac{c}{I} L = .082 \quad \frac{c}{I} \psi = .206$$

$$X_0 = 116 \quad (WL = 50.82)$$

$$A = 1.715 \quad I_{yy} = 72.4$$

$$\frac{c}{I} L = .074 \quad \frac{c}{I} \psi = .161$$

$$X_0 = 125 \rightarrow 142 \quad (WL = 50.528)$$

$$A = 2.21 \quad I_{yy} = 76.75$$

$$\frac{c}{I} L = .0656 \quad \frac{c}{I} \psi = .156$$

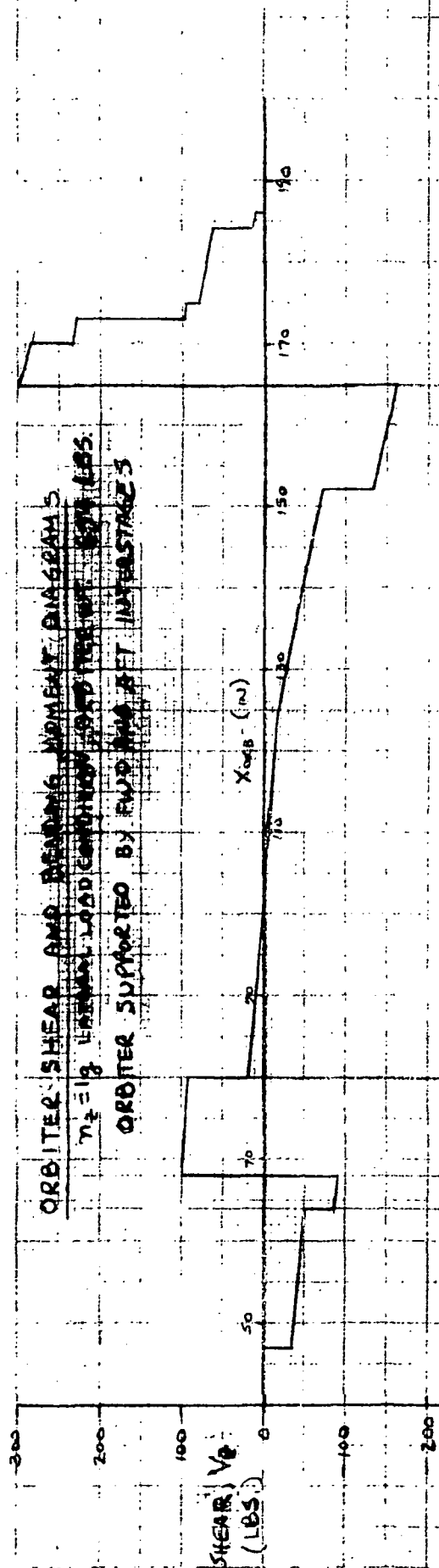
$$X_0 = 154 \rightarrow 165 \quad (WL = 50.508)$$

$$A = 2.99 \quad I_{yy} = 82.8$$

$$\frac{c}{I} L = .0612 \quad \frac{c}{I} \psi = .145$$

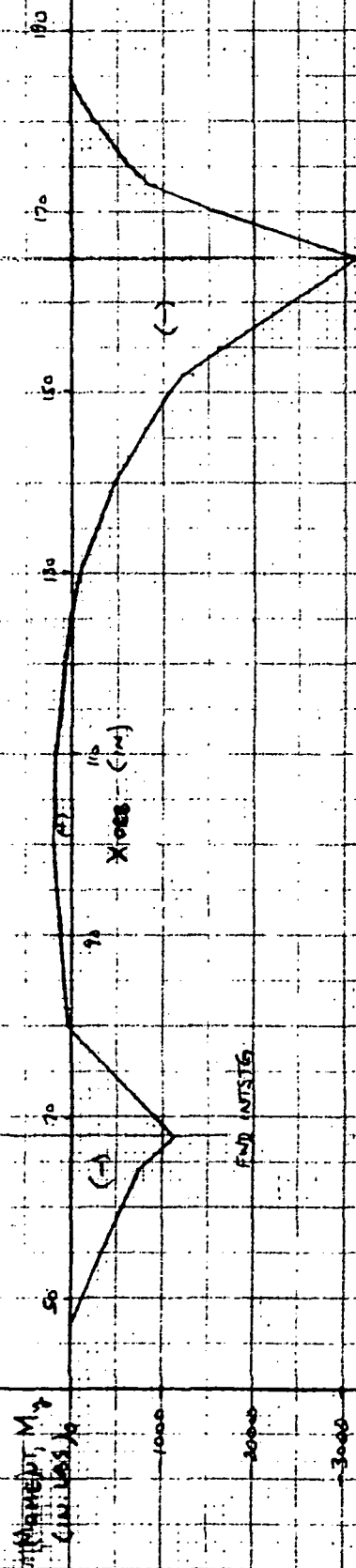
THESE VALUES CHECK THE APPROXIMATE DISTRIBUTIONS SHOWN ON FIGS. 8 AND 9.

ORBITER SHEAR AND BENDING MOMENT DIAGRAMS  
 $n_z = 3$  UNIFORM LOAD CONDITION, LOAD INTENSITY 600 LBS.  
 ORBITER SUPPORTED BY FWD AND AFT INTERSTAGES



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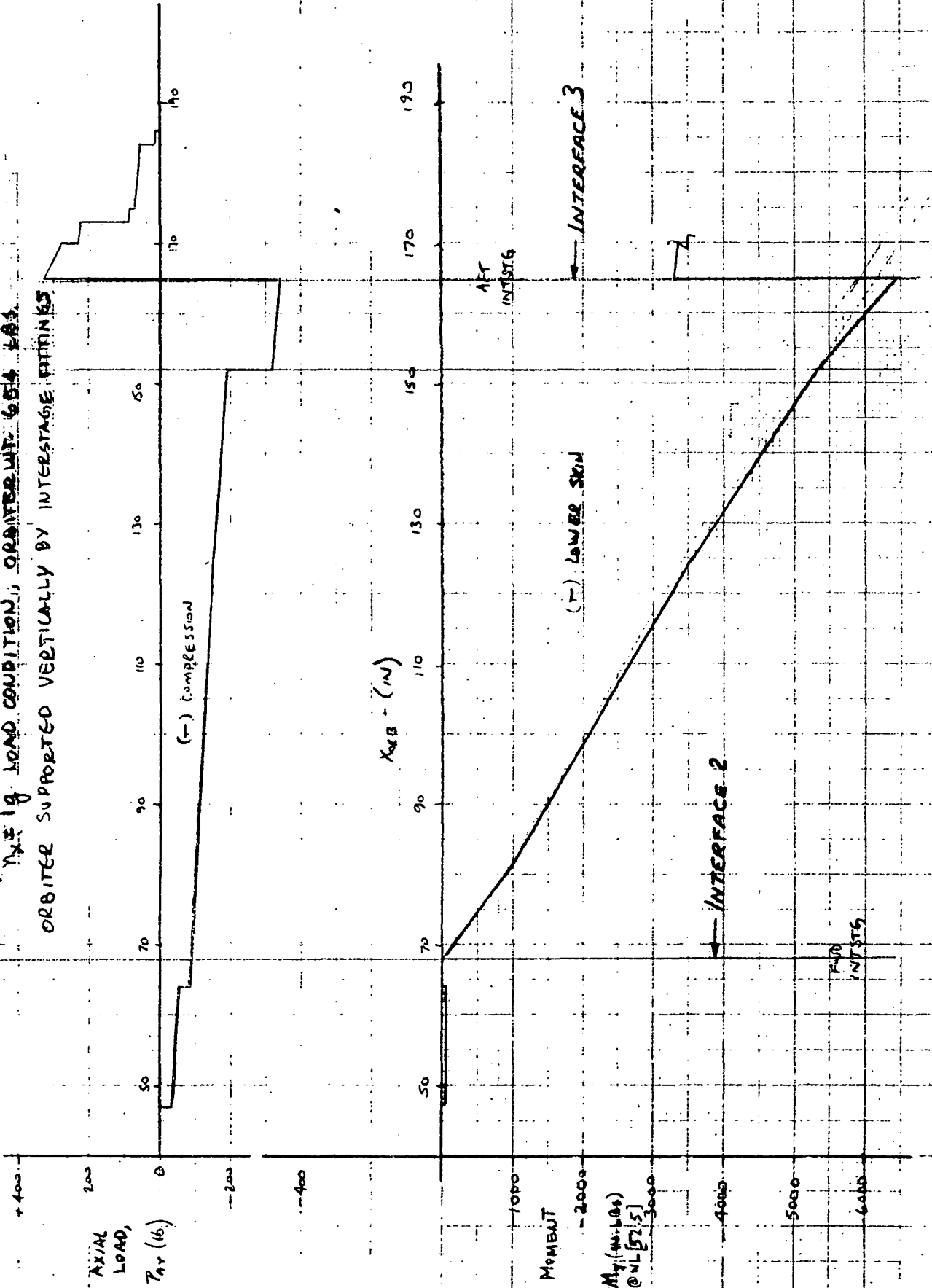
— INTERFACE 3



ORBITER AXIAL LOAD AND BENDING MOMENT DIAGRAMS

$\eta_x \approx 19$  LOAD CONDITION, ORBITER WITH 654 LBS.

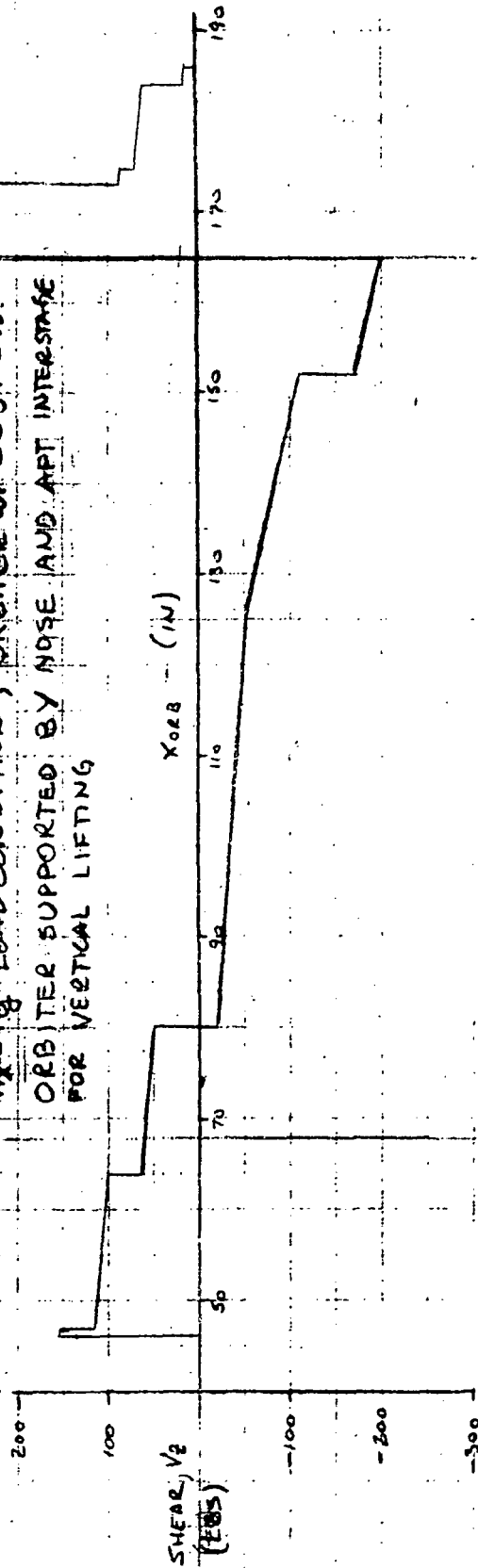
ORBITER SUPPORTED VERTICALLY BY INTERSTAGE FITTINGS



ORBITER SHEAR AND BENDING MOMENT DIAGRAMS

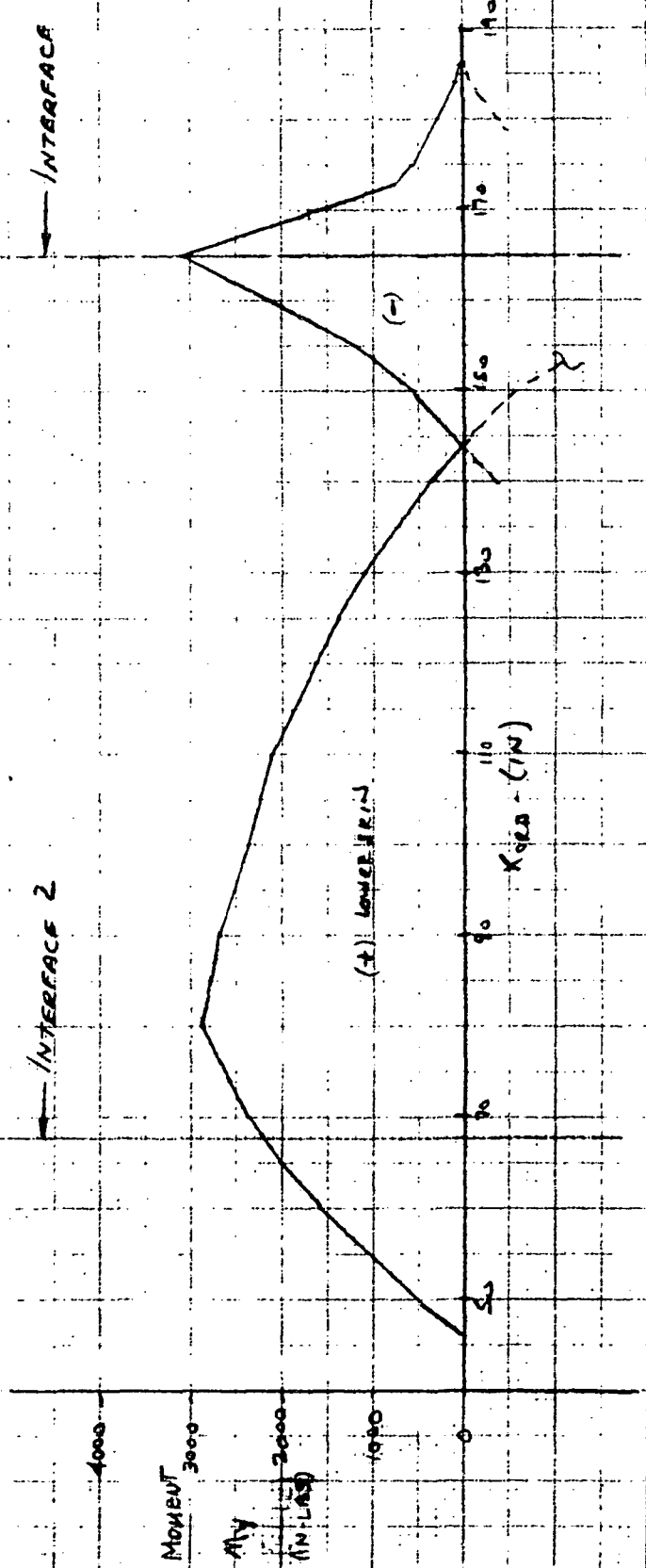
$m_x = 1g$  LOAD CONDITION, ORBITER WT = 654 LBS.

ORBITER SUPPORTED BY NOSE AND APT INTERSTAGE FOR VERTICAL LIFTING



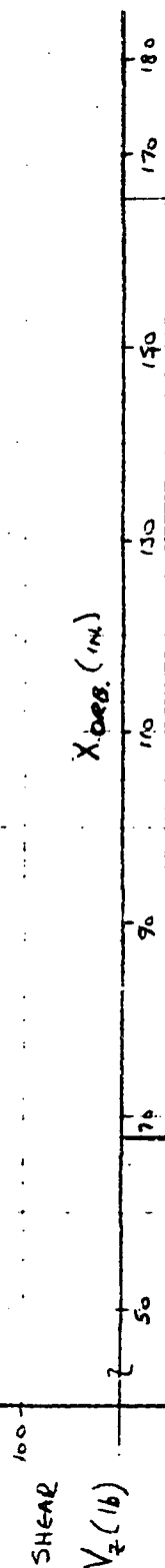
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# ORBITER SHEAR AND BENDING MOMENT DIAGRAMS

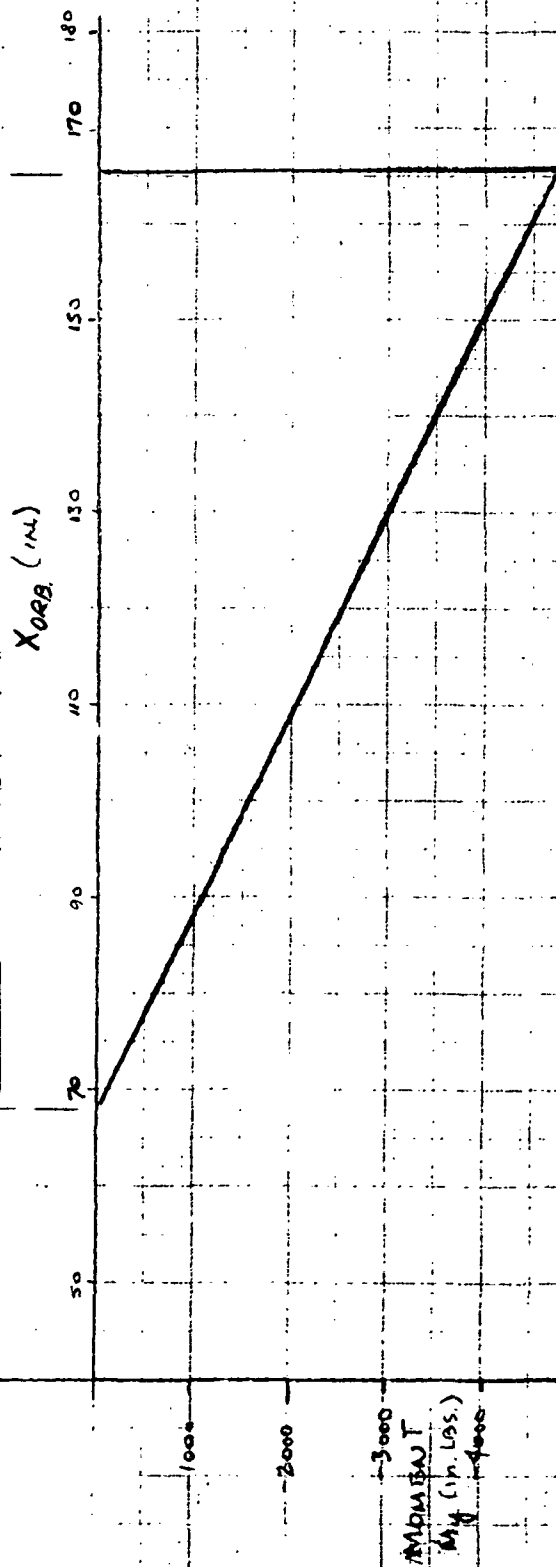
$\eta_k = 1g$  LOAD CONDITION, ORBITER WT = 654 LAS  
ORBITER SUPPORTED BY NOSE FITTING FOR VERTICAL LIFT



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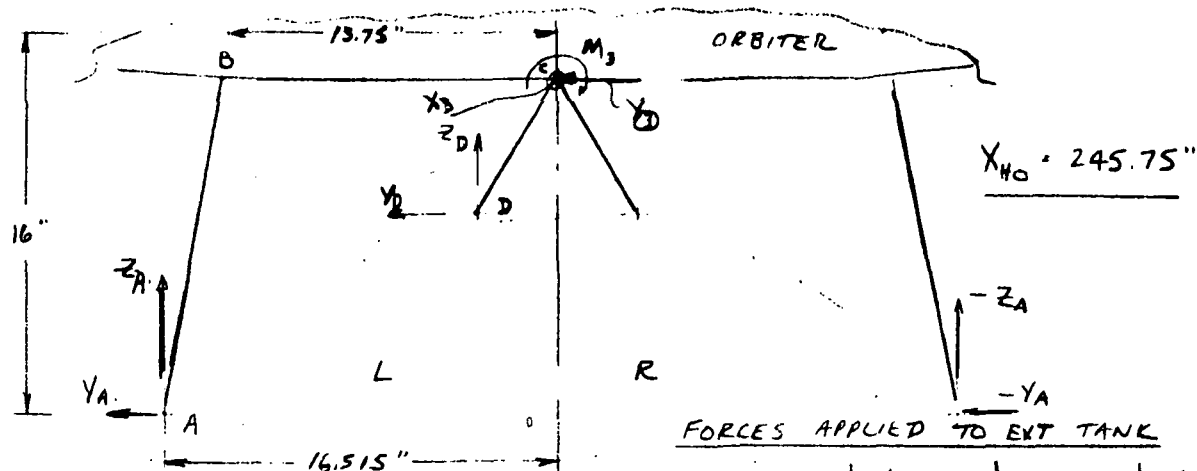
← INTERFACE 2

## MOMENT VS. $X_{ORB}$



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INTERFACE 3 - (TANK/ORBITER) GEOMETRY (SCHEMATIC) AFT INTERSTAGE

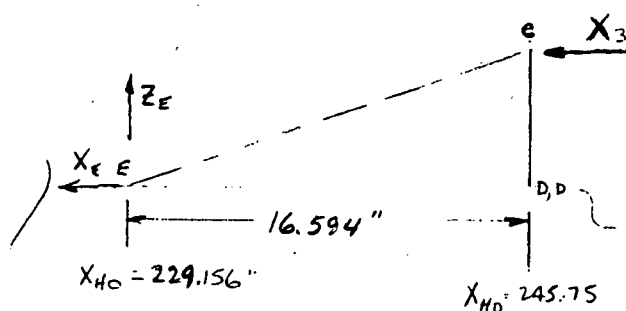


LOOKING AFT

RESULTING LOADS-LBS		$Y_3 = 1 \text{ LB}$	$M_3 = 1 \text{ IN-LB}$	$X_3 = 1 \text{ LB}$
	$Z_A$	0	+ .0364 LB	-
	$Y_A$	0	- .0062 LB	-
	$Z_D$	+ .885 LB	- .0110 LB	+ .176 LB
	$Y_D$	+ .5 LB	+ .0062 LB	- .099 LB
	$AB$	0	+ .037 LB	-
	$CD$	- 1.016 LB	- .0126 LB	+ .202 LB

INTERFACE 3  
(AFT INTERSTAGE) GEOMETRY (EXT TANK)

FORCES APPLIED TO HO 1ANK



FOR  $X_3 = 1.48$

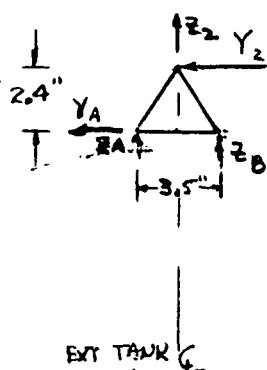
$$\overline{CE} = -1.060 \text{ LB}$$

$$\bar{C}_D = + .352 \text{ LB}$$

$$ATE^{HN} \begin{cases} X_E = 1.000 \text{ LB} \\ Z_E = -.352 \text{ LO} \end{cases}$$

INTERFACE 2  
(FWD. INTERSTAGE) GEOMETRY ( $X_{H_0} = 148.756''$ ) LOOKING AFT

FORCES APPLIED TO EXT TANK



	$Z_1 = 1 \text{ LB}$	$Y_2 = 1 \text{ LB}$
$Z_A$	.15 LB	-.685 LB
$Y_A$	-	1.000 LB
$Z_B$	.15 LB	+.685 LB

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[ALL LOADS IN LBS, MOMENTS IN IN.-LBS.]

		HANDLING APPLIED LOADS FROM P. 26			LATERAL APPLIED LOADS	
		B <sub>0</sub>	B x O <sub>2</sub> ⊥	E	Y <sub>0</sub> = ±491 <sup>(1)</sup>	Z <sub>0</sub> = ±491 <sup>(1)</sup>
INTER FACE 2	Y <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	± 142	-
	Z <sub>2</sub>	+ 226	- 20	+ 222	-	± 142
INTER FACE 3	X <sub>3</sub>	- 1962	+ 1080	- 1132	-	-
	Y <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	± 349	-
	Z <sub>3</sub>	- 226	+ 20	+ 93	-	± 349
	M <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	+ 5892	-

(1) ULTIMATE LATERAL LOAD = (0.5)(1.5)(654 LBS.) = 491 LBS

(2)  
ULTIMATE LOADS IN SUPPORT TRUSSES AND AT TANK SUPPORT POINTS  
 DETERMINED FROM TABLE ABOVE AND UNIT LOAD DISTRIBUTION ON P. 34

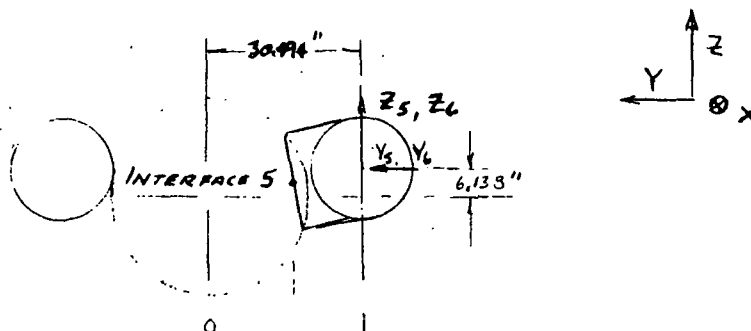
LOCATION OF RESULTING FORCES		HANDLING LOAD CONDITIONS			LATERAL CONDITIONS		DESIGN ULTIMATE *	
		B <sub>0</sub>	B x O <sub>2</sub> ⊥	E	Y <sub>0</sub> = ±491	Z <sub>0</sub> = ±491	MAX +	MAX -
INTER FACE 2	Y <sub>A</sub>	-	-	-	± 142	-	+ 142	- 142
	Z <sub>A</sub>	+ 113	- 10	+ 111	± 98	± 71	+ 211	- 108
	Z <sub>B</sub>	+ 113	- 10	+ 111	± 98	± 71	+ 211	- 108
INTER FACE 3	AB <sup>(1)</sup>	- 113	+ 10	+ 47	± 218	± 175	+ 265	- 331
	CD	- 396	+ 218	- 229	± 280	-	+ 498	- 676
	CE	+ 2080	- 1145	+ 1200	-	-	+ 2080	- 1145
	Y <sub>A</sub>	+ 19	- 2	- 8	± 37	± 30	+ 56	- 45
	Z <sub>A</sub>	- 113	+ 10	+ 47	± 214	± 175	- 327	+ 261
	Y <sub>D</sub>	+ 194	- 107	+ 112	± 211	-	+ 405	- 318
	Z <sub>D</sub>	- 345	+ 190	- 199	± 373	-	- 718	+ 563
	X <sub>E</sub>	- 1962	+ 1080	- 1132	-	-	+ 1080	- 1962
	Z <sub>E</sub>	691	- 380	+ 399	-	-	- 380	+ 691

\* COMBINATION OF HIGHEST HANDLING AND LATERAL CONDITION

(1) FOR TRUSSES (+) DENOTES TENSION (-) DENOTES COMPRESSION

(2) ALL LOADS IN LBS.



1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODELSRM LOADING AND REACTIONS AT HIO TANKCOORDINATES OF  
INTERSTAGE 5 (EXT TANK COORDINATES)

$$Z = \frac{12.887 - 12.887 + 5.74}{2} = 3.574''$$

$$Y = \frac{19.628 + 15.879}{2} = 17.753''$$

$$X_{S'} = 113.488''$$

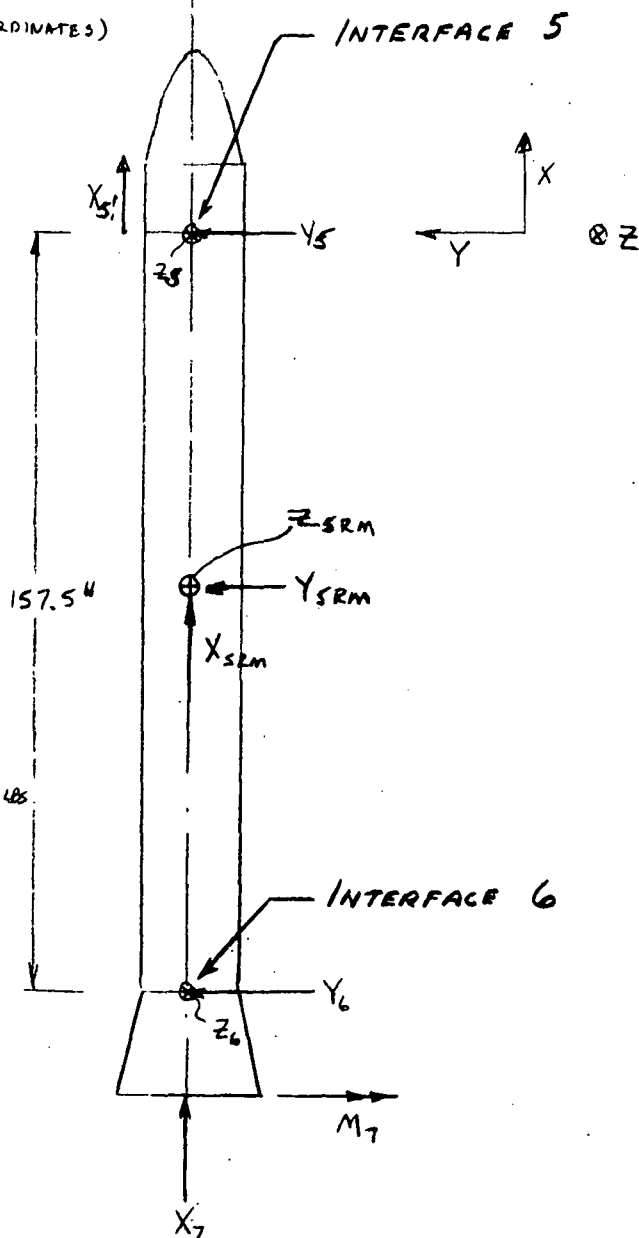
$$X_6 = 271''$$

RESULTING FORCES ON EXT TANK.

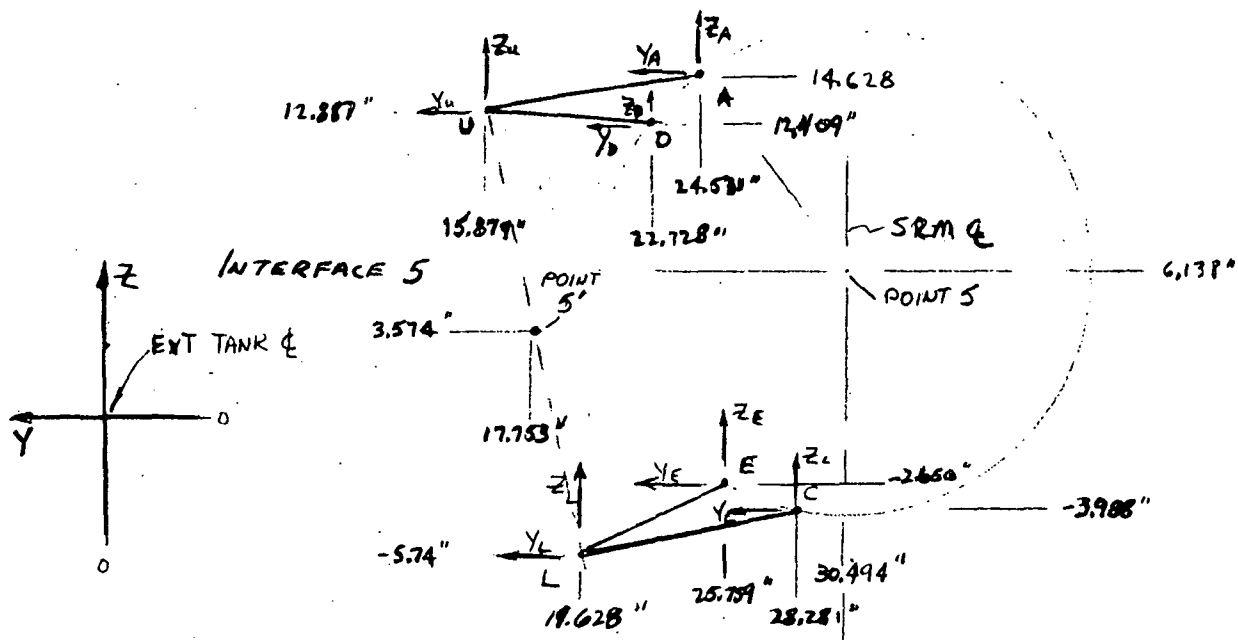
UNIT APPLIED LOADS TO SRM

	$X_7 = 1$	$Y_{SRM} = 1$	$Z_{SRM} = 1$	$M_7 = 1$
$X_{S'}$	1	-	-	-
$Y_5$	+ .081	.5	-	-
$Z_5$	- .016	-	.5	- .0064
$Y_6$	- .081	.5	-	-
$Z_6$	+ .016	-	.5	+ .0064

ALL LOADS IN LBS, MOMENTS IN IN-LBS



### INTERFACE 5 EXT TANK ATTACHMENT (DRAG TRUSS)



DISTANCES IN INCHES FOR STRUTS SHOWN ABOVE

	$\Delta X$	$\Delta Y$	$\Delta Z$	$\lambda$	$x/\rho$	$y/\rho$	$z/\rho$
AU	0	8.652	1.741	8.825	-	.980	.197
UD	16.25	6.849	-.473	17.641	.921	-.388	-.027
CL	0	8.653	1.742	8.827	-	.980	.197
LE	16.25	6.131	3.090	17.641	.921	.348	.175

FOR  $X_5' = 1 \text{ LB}$ ; THEN  $X_U = .5 \text{ LB}$  &  $X_L = .5 \text{ LB}$ .

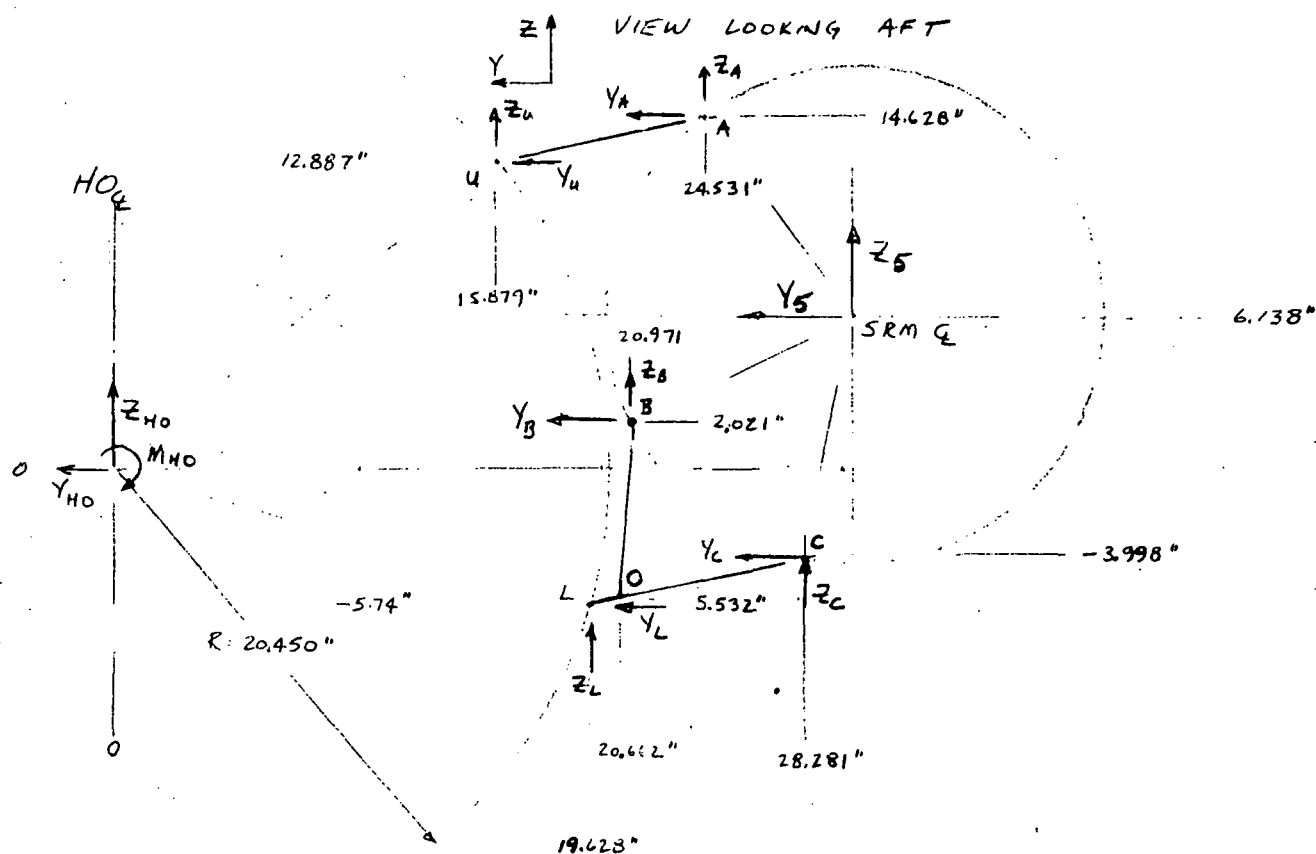
FORCE		$X_u = .5$
EXT	$Z_u$	-.055
TANK	$Y_u$	-.011
TRUSS	AU	.204
	UD	-.543
SRM	$Z_A$	-.040
	$Y_A$	+.200
	$Z_D$	-.014
	$Y_D$	-.211
	$X_D$	+.500

FORCE @		$X_L = .5$
EXT. TRUCK	$Z_L$	+ .055
	$Y_L$	+ .011
TRUSS	CL	.204
	LE	-.543
SRM	$Z_C$	-.040
	$Y_C$	+ .200
	$Z_E$	+ .095
	$Y_E$	-.189
	$X_E$	+ .500

(ALL FORCES IN LBS.)

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## INTERFACE 5 - HO TANK ATTACHMENT GEOMETRY (IN PLANE YZ)

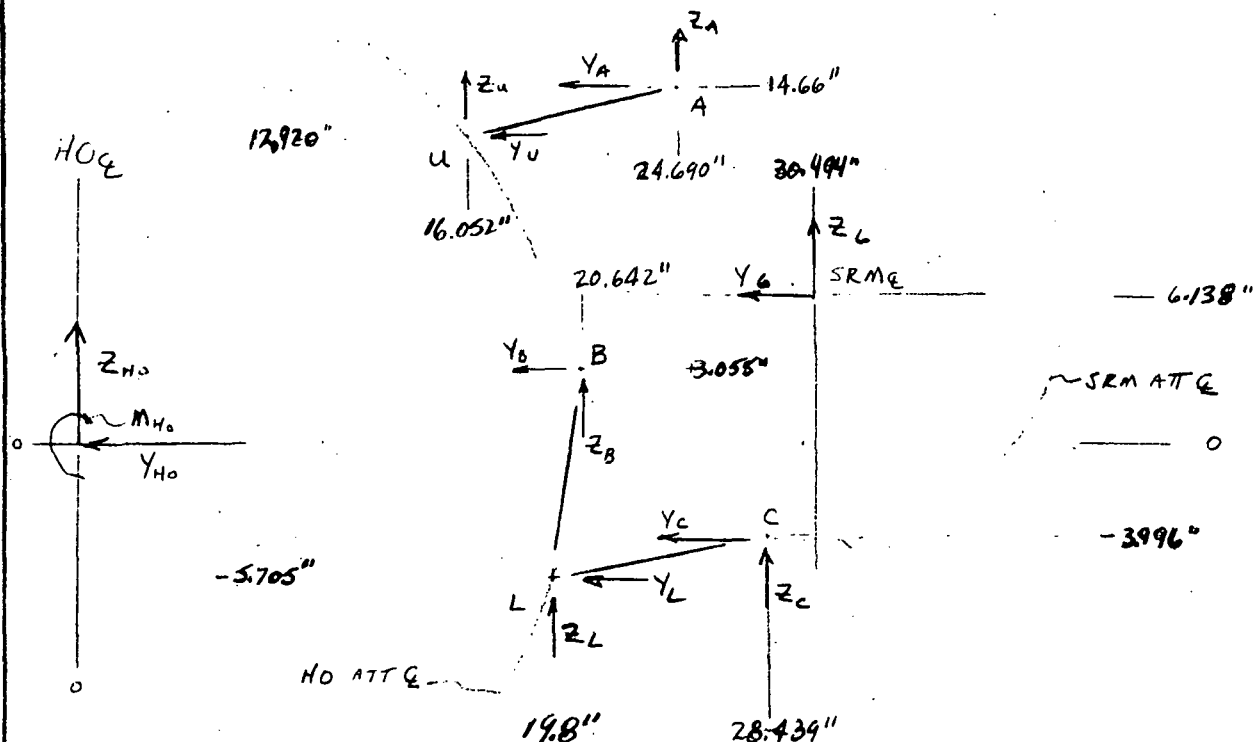


FORCES DUE TO LOADS & MOMENTS APPLIED TO  
SRM AND EXT TANK (HO) -

FORCE AT		$Z_S = 1 \text{ LB}$	$Y_S = 1 \text{ LB}$	$Z_{HO} = 1 \text{ LB}$	$Y_{HO} = 1 \text{ LB}$	$M_{HO} = 1 \text{ IN LB}$
H O	$Z_u$	-.113	-.123	-.204	+.060	-.0104
	$Y_u$	+.561	+.613	+1.013	-.296	+.0516
	$Z_L$	+1.113	+.123	-.796	-.060	+.0104
	$Y_L$	-.561	+.387	-1.013	-.704	-.0516
T R U S S	AU	-.572	-.625	-1.033	.302	-.0526
	BO	+1.108	+.223	-1.108	-.223	0
	LOC	+.507	-.368	+1.098	+.731	+.0526
	$\phi$ LC STRESS	.096	.177	.102	.020	0
S R M	$Z_A$	+.113	+.123	+.204	-.060	+.0104
	$Y_A$	-.561	-.613	-1.013	+.296	-.0516
	$Z_B$	-1.107	-.223	1.107	+.223	0
	$Y_B$	+.045	+.009	-.045	-.009	0
	$Z_C$	-.006	+.100	-.311	-.163	-.0104
	$Y_C$	+.516	-.396	+1.058	+.713	+.0516

## 1/4 SCALE DYNAMIC MODEL

## INTERFACE 6 - HO TANK ATTACHMENT GEOMETRY



FORCE AT		$Z_L = 1$	$Y_L = 1$	$Z_{HO} = 1$	$Y_{HO} = 1$	$M_{HO} = 1$
H O	$Z_U$	-.111	-.123	-.206	+.059	-.0104
	$Y_U$	+.552	+.611	1.022	-.294	+.0516
	$Z_L$	+1.111	+.123	-.794	-.059	+.0104
	$Y_L$	-.552	+.389	-1.022	-.706	-.0516
TRUSS (+TENSION)	AU	-.563	-.623	-1.042	+.300	-.0526
	BL	+1.024	+.206	-1.024	-.206	0
	CL	+.463	-.417	+1.143	+.741	+.0526
S R M	$Z_A$	+.111	+.123	+.206	-.059	+.0104
	$Y_A$	-.552	-.611	-1.022	+.294	-.0516
	$Z_B$	-1.020	-.205	+1.019	+.205	0
	$Y_B$	+.098	+.020	-.098	-.020	0
	$Z_C$	-.091	+.052	-.225	-.146	-.0104
	$Y_C$	+.454	-.409	+1.120	+.726	+.0516

FORCES TABULATED ARE APPLIED TO HO, SRM

## 1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODEL

## SUMMARY OF INTERFACE INFLUENCE COEFFICIENTS

R = RADIAL, + OUTWARD

T = TANGENTIAL, + CLOCKWISE

AT INTERFACE 5 -  $X_{STA H_0} = 113.488$   $X_{STA SEM} = 38.5$ 

FORCE AT		$X_T + Y_{SEM} = 1$	$Y_{SRM} = 1$	$Z_{SEM} = 1$	$M_Y = 1$
H O T A N K	$X_H$	+ .5	0	0	0
	$R_H$	-.063	-.277	-.253	+.003
	$T_H$	+.030	-.145	-.133	+.002
T A N K	$X_L$	+ .5	0	0	0
	$R_L$	-.063	-.203	+.113	-.001
	$T_L$	-.031	-.005	-.613	+.008
S T R U T S	AU	-.246	-.313	-.286	+.004
	UD	+.543	-	-	-
	LC <sub>U</sub>	-.242	-.184	+.254	-.003
	LC <sub>V</sub>	-	+.089	+.048	-.001
	BO	0	+.112	+.554	-.007
	LE	+.543	-	-	-
S R M	$R_A$	-.099	-.126	-.115	+.002
	$T_A$	+.225	+.286	+.262	-.003
	$R_B$	+ 0	+.048	+.240	-.003
	$T_B$	- 0	-.101	-.499	+.006
	$R_C$	-.098	-.091	+.058	-.001
	$T_C$	-.225	-.183	+.251	-.003
	$X_D$	-.5			
	$R_D$	+.173			
	$T_D$	-.122			
	$X_E$	-.5			
	$R_E$	+.173			
	$T_E$	+.122			

 $X_{STA SEM} = 196.7$   
 AT INTERFACE 6 -  $X_{STA H_0} = 271.1$ 

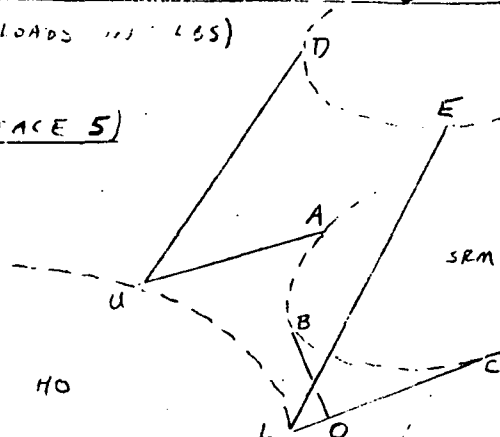
		$X_{SRM} + Y_T = 1$	$Y_{SRM} = 1$	$Z_{SRM} = 1$	$M_Y = 1$
H O T A N K	$R_H$	+.037	-.277	-.245	-.003
	$T_H$	-.019	-.144	-.130	-.002
	$R_L$	+.037	-.204	+.111	+.001
	$T_L$	-.019	-.005	-.610	-.008
S T R U T S	AU	+.041	-.312	-.282	-.004
	BL	-.000	+.103	+.512	+.007
	CL	+.041	-.209	+.232	+.003
S R M	$R_A$	+.016	-.121	-.110	-.001
	$T_A$	-.038	+.287	+.260	+.003
	$R_B$	0	+.040	+.199	+.003
	$T_C$	+.0	-.095	-.472	-.006
	$R_C$	+.016	-.081	+.067	+.001
	$T_C$	+.038	-.209	+.213	+.003

\* LOADS AT X STATION SEM 22

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## ULTIMATE SRM SUPPORT TRUSS MEMBER LOADS (ALL LOADS IN LBS)

### AT FWD (INTERFACE 5)

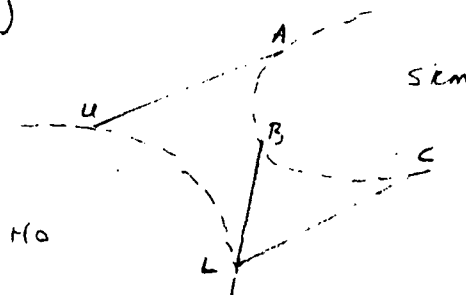


$$.75(2750) = 2060^*$$

	HANDLING APPLIED LOADS FROM P. 26 (P. 40)				LATERAL APPLIED LOADS		DESIGN ULTIMATE*	
	A	B <sub>0</sub>	BxO <sub>2</sub> ⊥	B	Y <sub>sem</sub> ± 2060	Z <sub>sem</sub> ± 2060	MAX +	MAX -
AU	-869	-399	+1519	+1137	± 65	± 590	+2109	-1459
UD	+1921	+1074	-3360	-2684	-	-	+1921	-3360
LOC AX	-856	-555	+1497	+1264	± 380	± 523	+2020	-1379
LOC Y <sub>c</sub>	-	-14	-	+13	± 183	± 99	+196	-197
B <sub>0</sub>	+1	-170	-2	+147	± 230	± 1143	+1270	-1313
LE	+1921	+1074	-3360	-2684	-	-	+1921	-3360

\* COMBINATION OF HIGHEST HANDLING AND LATERAL CONDITION

### AFT (INTERFACE 6)



	HANDLING APPLIED LOADS (P. 26 (P. 40))				LATERAL APPLIED LOADS		DESIGN ULTIMATE*	
	A	B <sub>0</sub>	BxO <sub>2</sub> ⊥	B	Y <sub>sem</sub> ± 2060	Z <sub>sem</sub> ± 2060	MAX +	MAX -
AU	+146	-5	-256	-280	± 642	± 581	+808	-898
BL	-1	+156	+2	+138	± 212	± 1056	+1212	-900
CL	+146	+151	-255	-142	± 430	± 497	+648	-752

1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODELULTIMATE SRM RING LOADINGS

[ALL LOADS IN LBS, +X IS FWD, +R IS RADIAL OUTWARD, +T IS TANGENTIAL CLOCKWISE]

HANDLING LOADS					LATERAL LOADS		DESIGN ULTIMATE <sup>(1)</sup>	
AT STA. 22.5					$Y_{SRM} \pm 2060$	$Z_{SRM} \pm 2060$	MAX +	MAX -
$X_D^*$	-1769	-989	+3094	+2472	-	-	+3094	-1769
$R_D$	+612	+342	-1074	-855	-	-	+612	-1074
$T_D$	-430	-241	+752	+601	-	-	-430	+752
$X_E$	-1769	-989	+3094	+2472	-	-	+3094	-1769
$R_E$	+610	+341	-1066	-852	-	-	+610	-1066
$T_E$	+431	+241	-753	-602	-	-	+431	-753

\* LOADS (X, RADIAL, TANGENTIAL APPLY TO LOCATION D ON PAGE 37)

HANDLING LOADS					LATERAL LOADS		DESIGN ULTIMATE <sup>(1)</sup>	
AT STA. 38.5					$Y_{SRM} \pm 2060$	$Z_{SRM} \pm 2060$	MAX +	MAX -
$R_A$	-350	-160	+613	+459	+260	+237	+873	-610
$T_A$	+794	+375	-1389	-1040	+590	+540	-1979	+1384
$R_B$	0	-74	-1	+64	+100	+496	+560*	-570*
$T_B$	-1	+153	+2	-132	+212	+1030	+1183*	-1162*
$R_C$	-348	-212	+609	+502	+188	+120	+797	-536
$T_C$	-794	-521	+1389	+1177	+377	+519	+1908	-1313

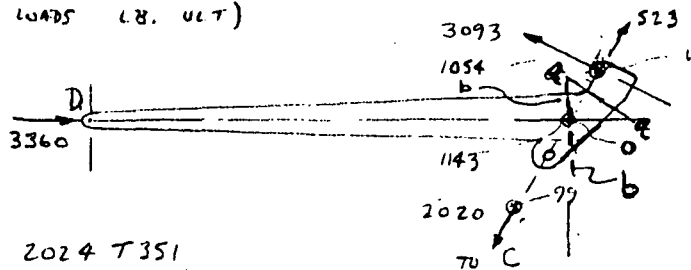
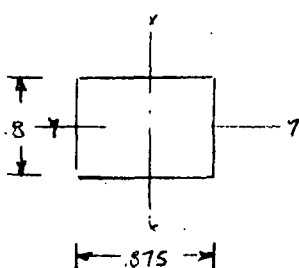
HANDLING LOADS					LATERAL LOADS		DESIGN ULTIMATE <sup>(1)</sup>	
AT STA. 196.0					$Y_{SRM} \pm 2060$	$Z_{SRM} \pm 2060$	MAX +	MAX -
$R_A$	+57	-2	-100	-109	+260	+237	+317	-369
$T_A$	-135	+4	+236	+258	+590	+540	-725	+848
$R_B$	0	+60	0	+53	+100	+496	+556*	-496*
$T_B$	+1	-144	-2	-128	+212	+1030	+1031*	-1274*
$R_C$	+56	+60	-98	-61	+188	+120	+248	-286
$T_C$	+134	+140	-235	-130	+377	+519	+659*	-754*

\* MAXIMUM LOADS BUT NOT TO BE CONSIDERED SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR COMBINING RADIAL AND TANGENTIAL VALUES

(1) COMBINATION OF HIGHEST LATERAL AND HANDLING CONDITION

1/8 SCALE DYNAMIC MODELANALYSIS OF TYPICAL SRM DRAG STRUT (REF AD383-521-13,15)

(ALL LOADS LB. ULT)

LOADS  
[REF p.41]MATEL: 2024 T351  
 $F_{TU} = 62,000 \text{ psi}$ AT [a-a] (.62" FROM "u")

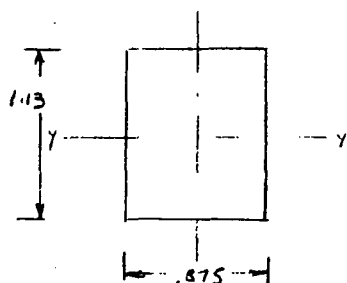
$$M_{xx} = 653 \text{ inlb}$$

$$M_{yy} = 1915 \text{ inlb}, \quad P_x = 523 \text{ lb}$$

$$f_t = \frac{6(653)}{(.875)(.875)^2} + \frac{6(1915)}{(.875)(.875)^2} + \frac{523}{(.875)(.875)} = 750$$

$$= 6400 + 20600 + 750 = 27750 \text{ psi}$$

$$MS = \frac{62000}{27750} - 1 = \underline{\underline{1.24}}$$

AT [b-b] (1.1" FROM U)

$$M_{yy} = 3360(1.1) = 3700 \text{ inlb}$$

$$P_{xx} = 3360 \text{ lb}$$

$$f_t = \frac{3700(6)}{(.113)^2(.875)} + \frac{3360}{1.13(.875)} = 19950 + 3400 = 23350 \text{ psi}$$

CONSIDER COLUMN DO (CONSERVATIVE)

MINIMUM SECTION .65 X .875

$$F_c = \frac{\pi^2 E}{(4\rho)^2} = 14,300 \text{ psi}$$

$$f_c = \frac{3360}{(.65)(.875)} = 5920 \text{ psi}$$

$$\frac{f_c}{F_c} = .41 \quad \therefore \text{NO MOMENT MAGNIFICATION}$$

$$MS = \frac{1}{.41 + \frac{23350}{62000}} - 1 = \underline{\underline{+0.27}}$$



TABLES AND FIGURES

TABLE I

WEIGHT STATEMENT				PAGE 1 OF 1
CONFIGURATION		619		
CODE	SYSTEM	STACK ELEMENT		
		ORB.	SRM	TANK
1	WING GROUP	18017		
2	TAIL GROUP	3186		
3	BODY GROUP	38146	290312	50199
4	INDUCED ENVIR. PROTECTION	29145		5999
5	LANDING, RECOVERY, DOCKING	9613	5860	
6	PROPULSION-ASCENT	21816	27900	2350
7	PROPULSION-CRUISE	217		
8	PROPULSION-AUXILIARY	5738		
9	PRIME POWER	3674		
10	ELECT CONVER. & DISTR.	2975		
11	HYDRA CONVER. & DISTR.	1546		
12	SURFACE CONTROLS	1538		
13	AVIONICS	6615	1720	469
14	ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL	4418		
15	PERSONNEL PROVISIONS	1068		
16	RANGE SAFETY & ABORT		500	
17	BALLAST			
18	GROWTH/UNCERTAINTY	13068	14340	1300
	NOSE CONE			1134
	SEPARATION & DEORBIT	100	1200	4854
SUBTOTAL (DRY WEIGHT)		160880	341832	66305
20	PERSONNEL	1420		
21	CARGO (LANDED)	40000		
22	ORDNANCE (IGNITER)		1028	
23	RESIDUAL FLUIDS	1803		8186
25	RESERVE FLUIDS (LANDED)	897		7333
SUBTOTAL (LANDED WEIGHT)		205000	342860	N. A.
21	△ CARGO UP	25000		
2	FINS/SKIRT (STAGED)			10396
5	RECOVERY SYS. (EXPENDED)		21220	
22	IGNITER (EXPENDED)		900	
25	RESERVE FLUIDS			
26	IN FLIGHT LOSSES	6432		
27	PROPELLANT-ASCENT		2452932	1560052
28	PROPELLANT-CRUISE			
29	PROPELLANT-MANEUV./ACS	27396		
	SEP. SYS./NOSE CONE		5600	
	INSULATION/LINER		21200	
ELEMENT GROSS WEIGHT		263828	2844712	1652272
ABORT SRM			68500	
GLOW			4829312	

TABLE II  
DRAWINGS OF 1/8 SCALE MODEL

<u>DRAWING NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
AD383-500	Model Assembly Suspended (3 Sheets)
-501	Shuttle Model Assembly
-502	External Tank Assembly
-503	SRM Assembly
-504	Orbiter Assembly
-505	LO <sub>2</sub> Tank Assembly (2 sheets)
-506	Intertank Skirt Assembly
-507	LH <sub>2</sub> Tank Assembly (2 sheets)
-508	Aft Skirt Assembly
-510	SRM Forward Skirt Assembly
-511	SRM Propellant Cylinder Assembly
-512	SRM Aft Skirt Assembly
-514	LH <sub>2</sub> Tank Fitting Installation
-515	Rings for External Tank
-516	Intertank Skirt Frame Assembly
-517	LH <sub>2</sub> Tank Frame Assembly
-518	External Tank Aft Skirt Frame Assembly
-520	SRM Rings
-521	SRM-to-External Tank Thrust Fittings
-522	External Tank-to-Orbiter Thrust Fitting
-525	Orbiter Forward Section Assembly & Installation
-526	Orbiter Payload Bay Cover Assembly & Installation
-527	Orbiter Payload Module Installation
-528	Orbiter Aft Section Assembly
-529	Orbiter Wing Installation
-530	Orbiter Fuselage Side & Bottom Skin Panel Assembly and Installation
-531	Orbiter Keel Assembly and Installation
-532	Orbiter Wing Beam Carry-Through Assembly
-533	Orbiter Aft Interstage Fitting Assembly

TABLE II (continued)

<u>DRAWING NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
-534	Orbiter Engine Support Bulkhead Assembly (2 sheets)
-535	Orbiter Fin Stub Installation
-536	Orbiter Fuselage Forward Frame Assembly
-537	Orbiter Abort SRM Installation
-538	Model Cosmetic Lines (2 sheets)
-539	Orbiter Engine Bulkhead (Station 180.009) Fittings

Note:

1. Two (or more) copies of each of the above drawings have been submitted separately to NASA/Langley for review.
2. These drawings are available from the Dynamic Loads Branch, Loads Division, NASA/Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia 23365

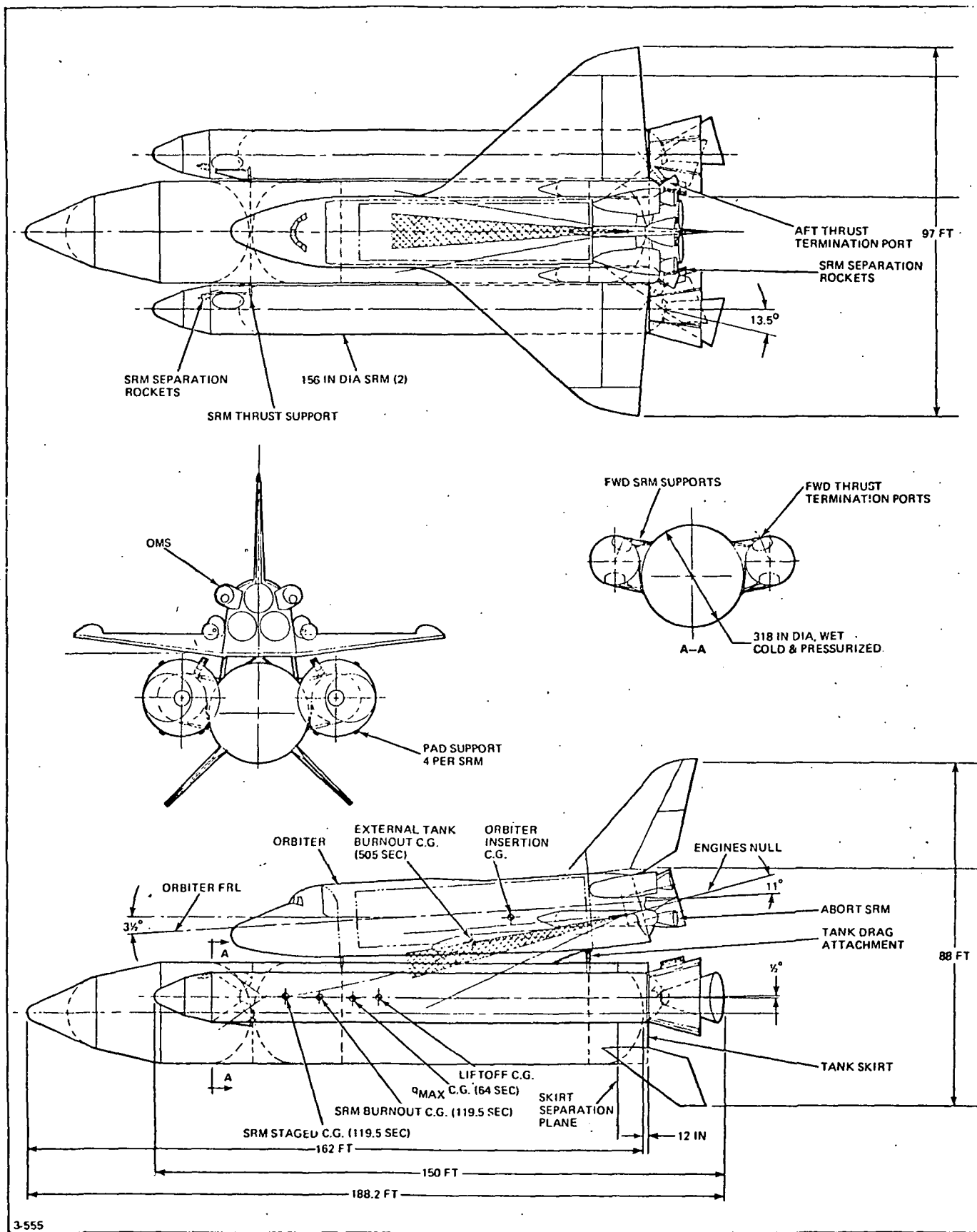


Fig. 1 Mated Flight System



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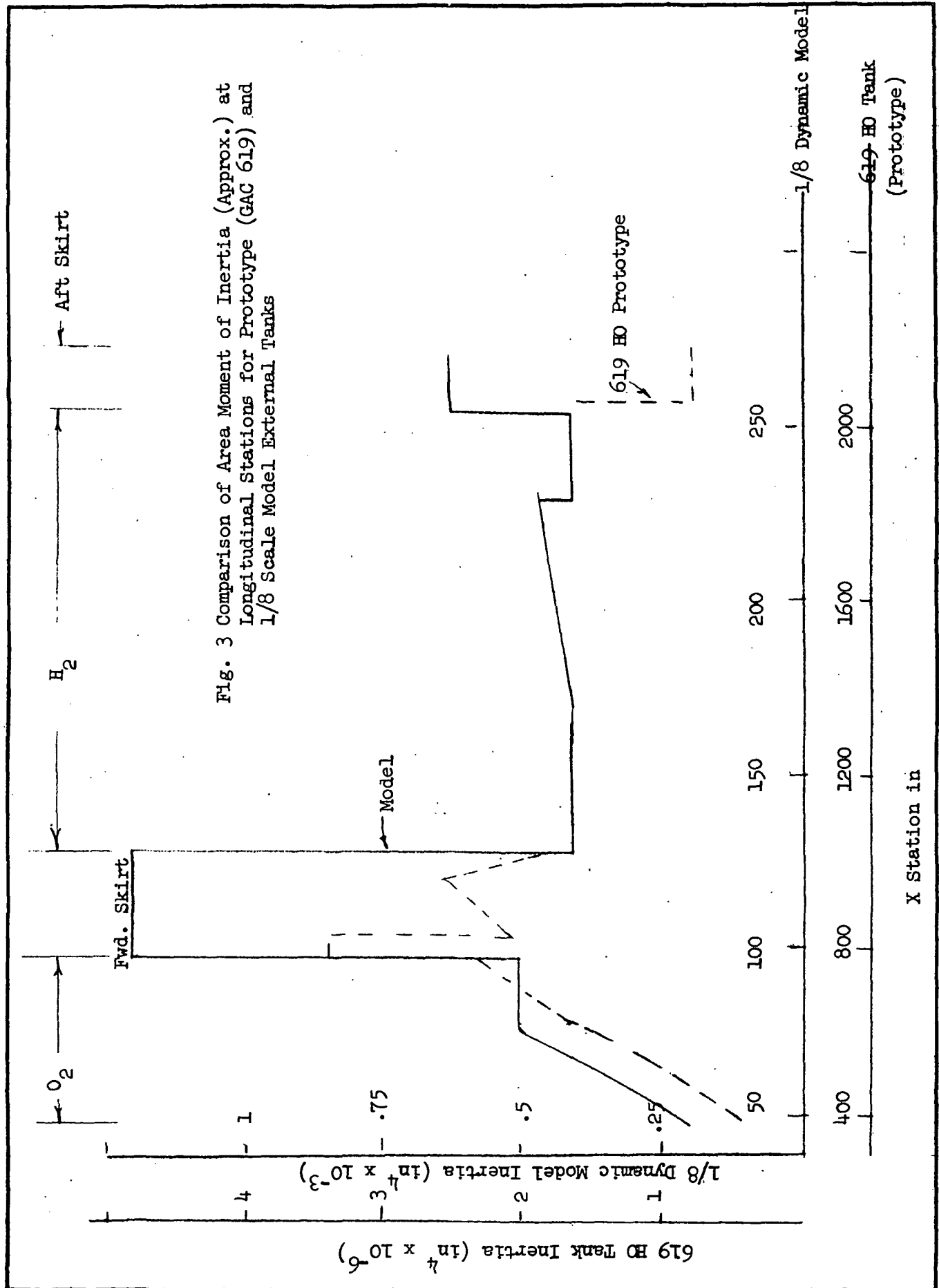
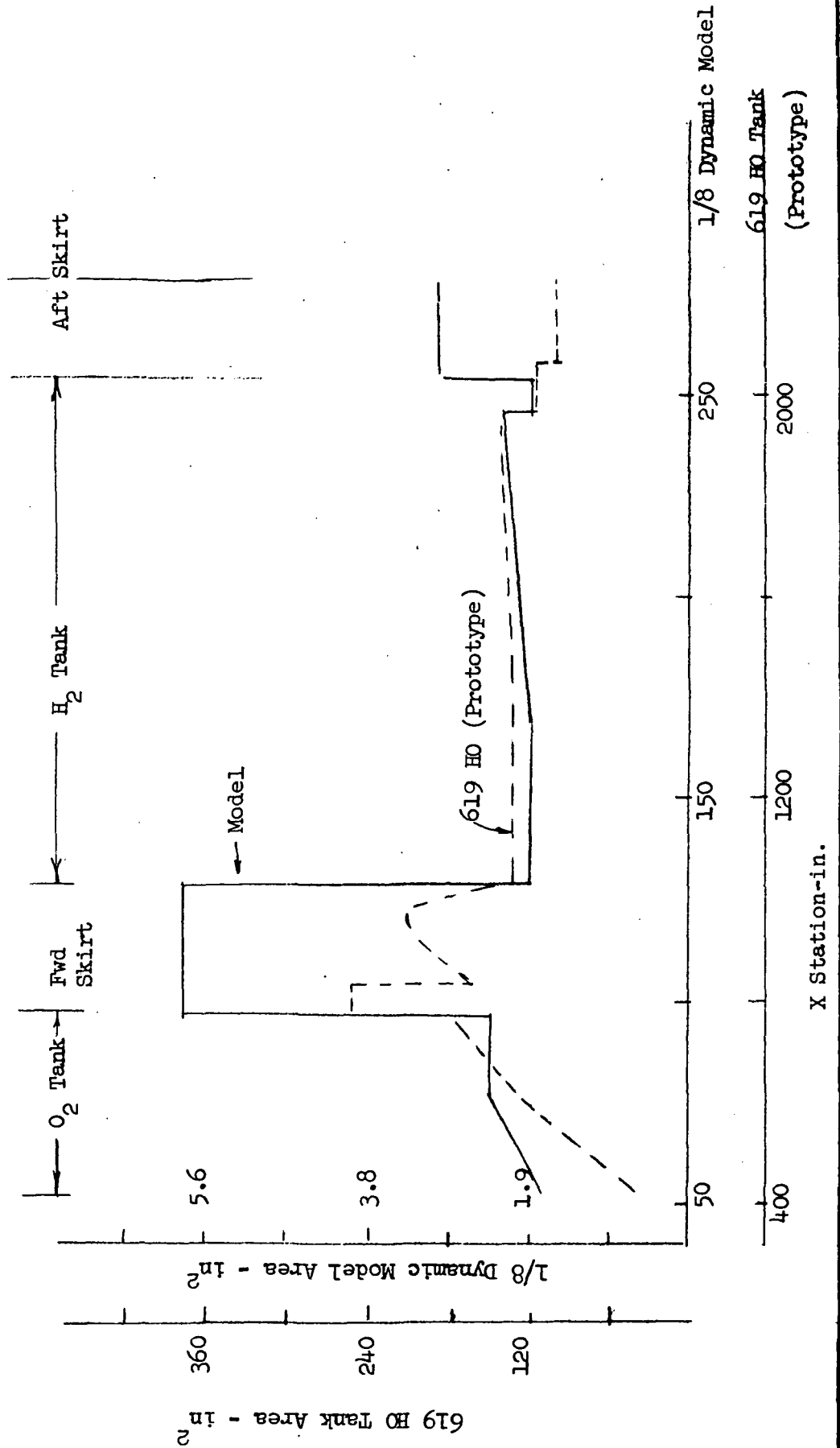
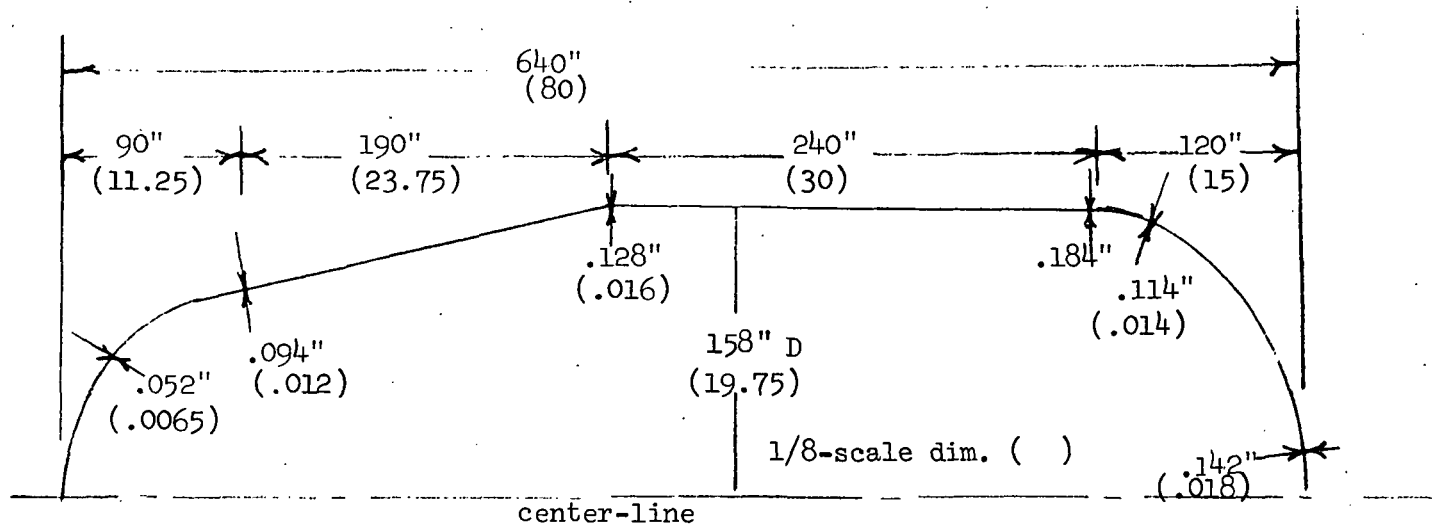


Fig. 4 Comparison of Cross Sectional Areas (Approx) at Longitudinal Stations for Prototype (GAC 619) and 1/8 Scale Model External Tanks

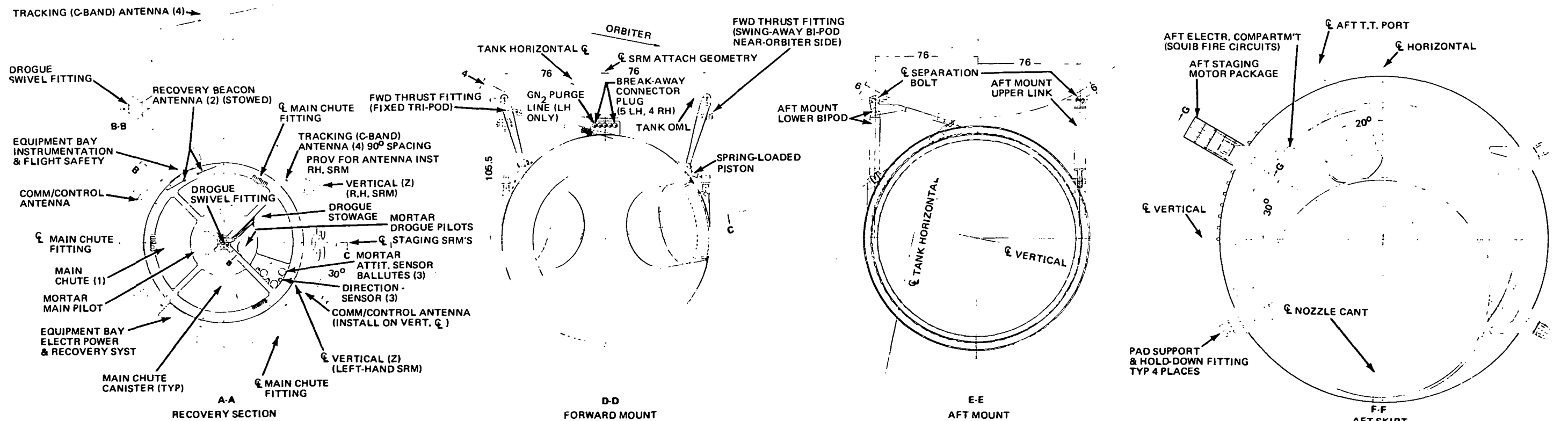
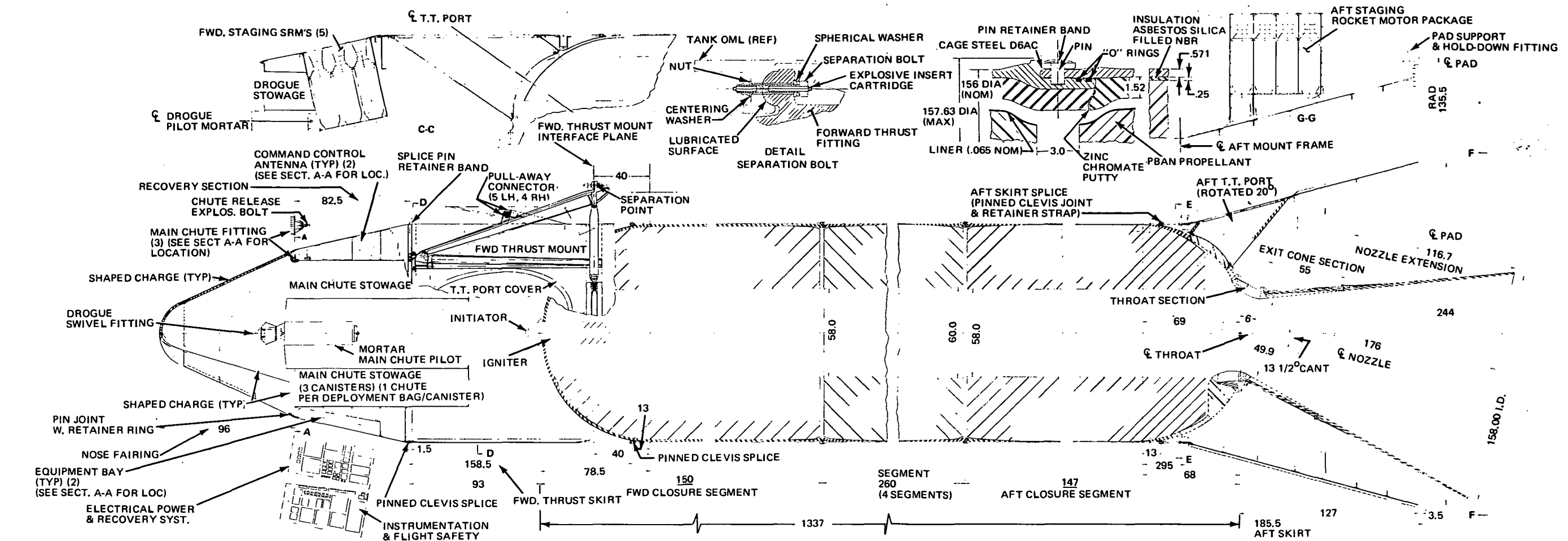






APPROXIMATE PROTOTYPE LO<sub>2</sub> TANK DIMENSIONS

Figure 5



Structural Weight Summary

Component	Aluminum	Titanium	Non-Metallic	Total *
<u>Fuselage</u>				(38,146)
Nose	212		11	223
Crew Compartment	8203		2845	11048
Mid Fuselage	3871		613	4484
Side Panels	2348		326	2674
Payload Doors	3600		650	4250
Fwd Wing Carry-Thru	2497		287	2784
Aft Wing Carry-Thru	3660		343	4003
Aft Fuselage	3283	3611	644	7538
OMS Pods	742			742
RCS Pods	400			400
<u>Wing</u>				(18,017)
Fwd Exposed Wing	5343		675	6018
Aft Exposed Wing	7824		475	8299
Elevon	3700			3700
<u>Tail</u>				(3,186)
Fin	2226			2226
Upper Rudder	540			540
Lower Rudder	420			420
Total	48,869	3611	6869	59,349 LBS

\* 10% growth not included

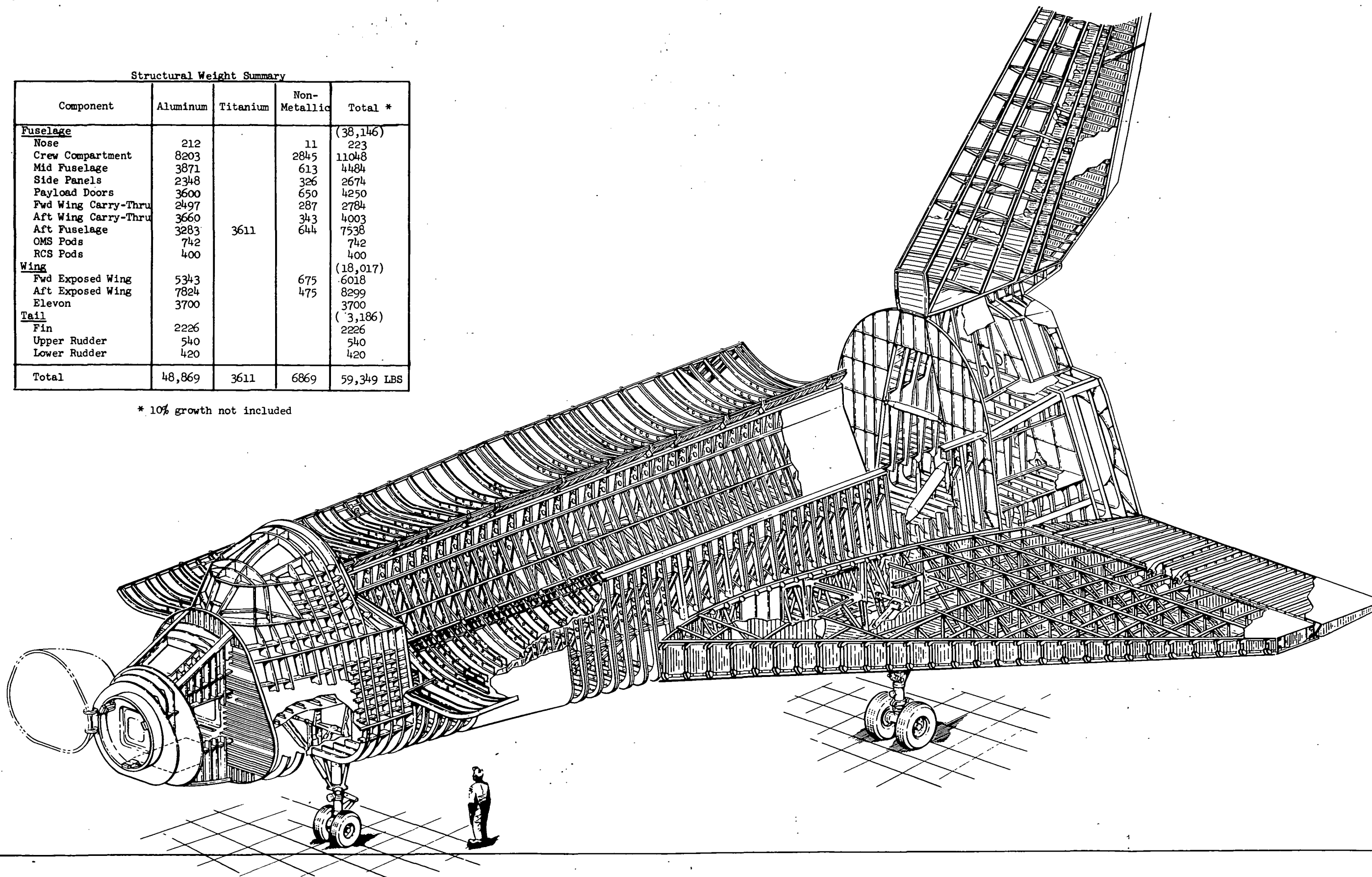


Figure 7 Orbiter Structural Arrangement

Fig. 8 - Comparison of Cross-Sectional Areas (Approx.) at Longitudinal Stations for Prototype (GAC 040S) and 1/8 Scale Model Orbiters

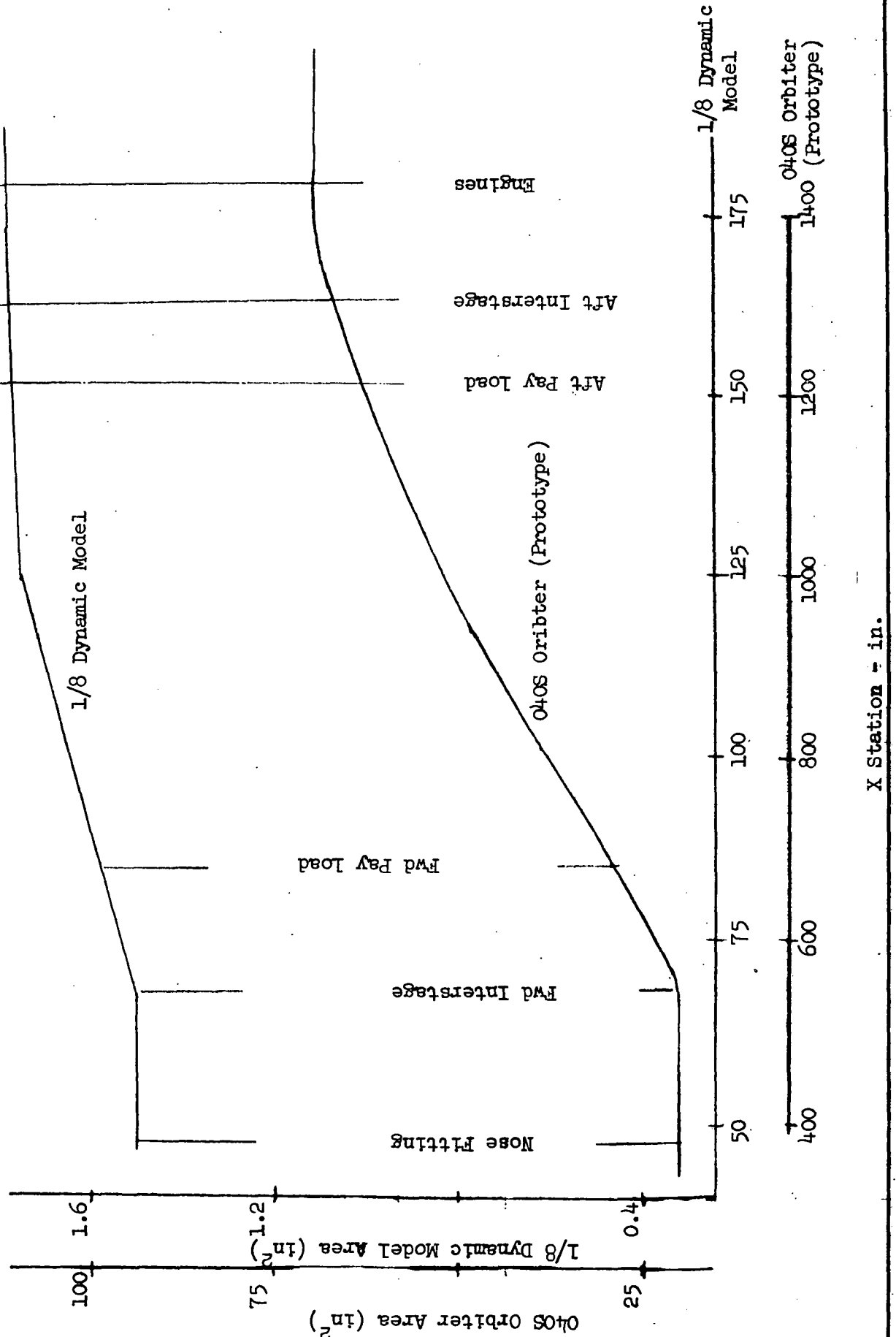
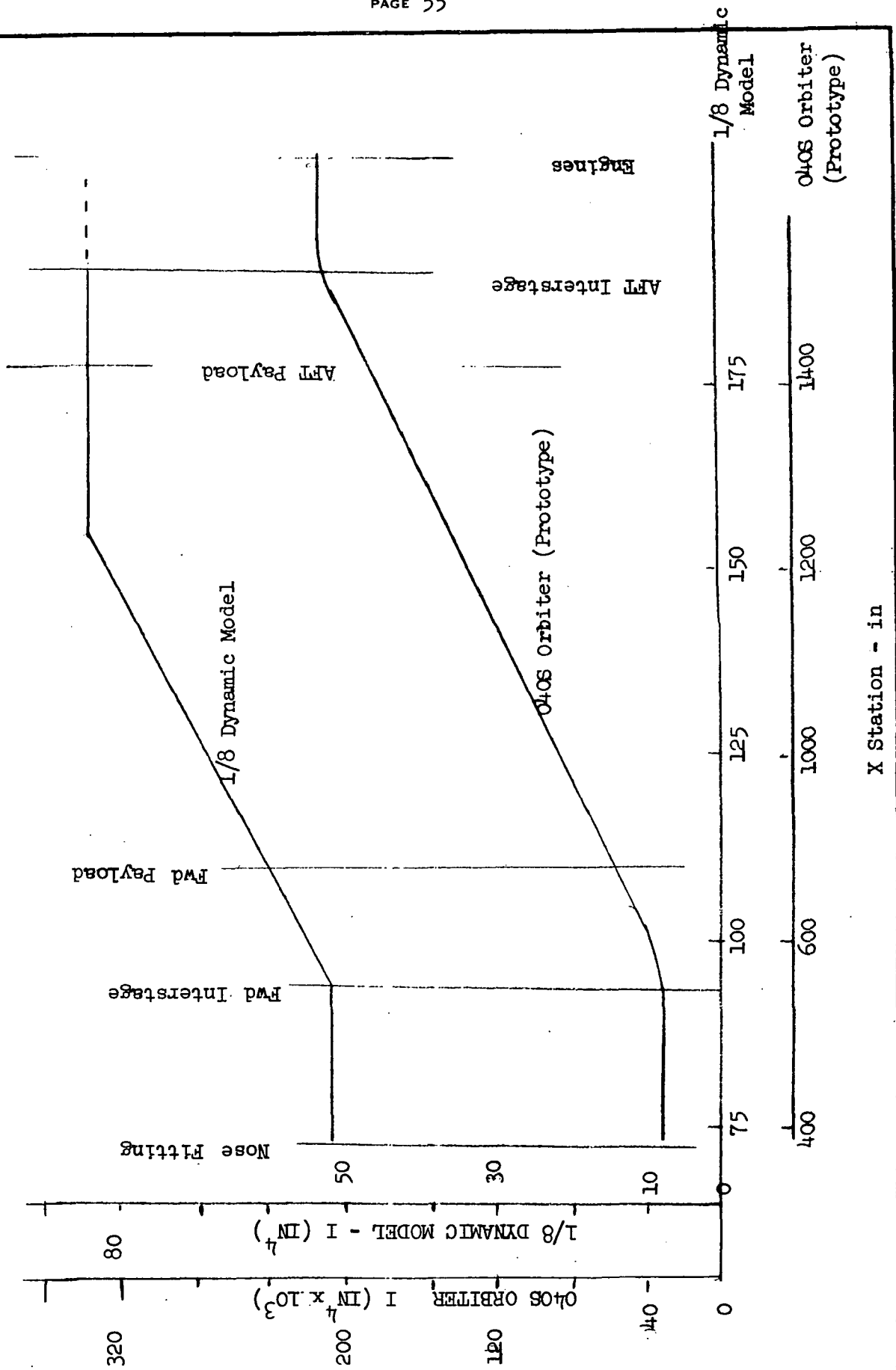
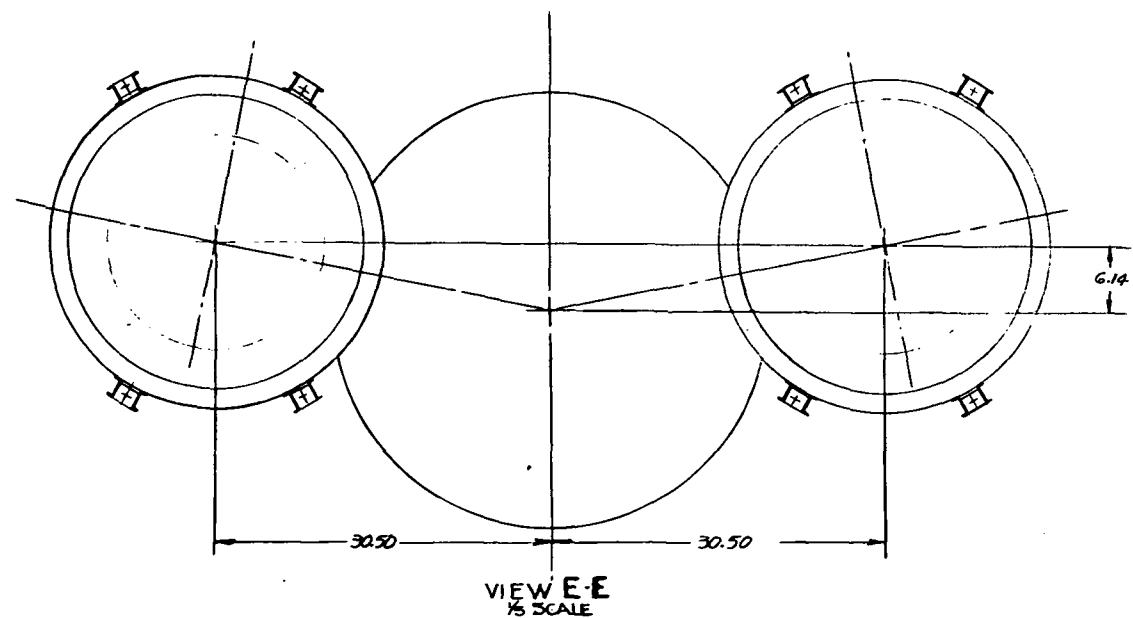


Fig. 9 - Comparison of Area Moment of Inertia at Longitudinal Stations for Prototype (GAC 0405) and 1/8 Scale Model Orbiters

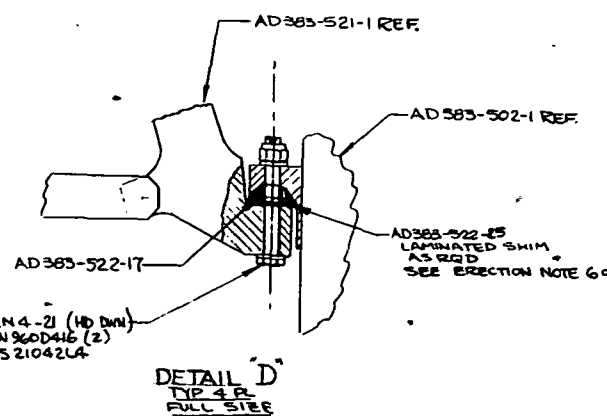
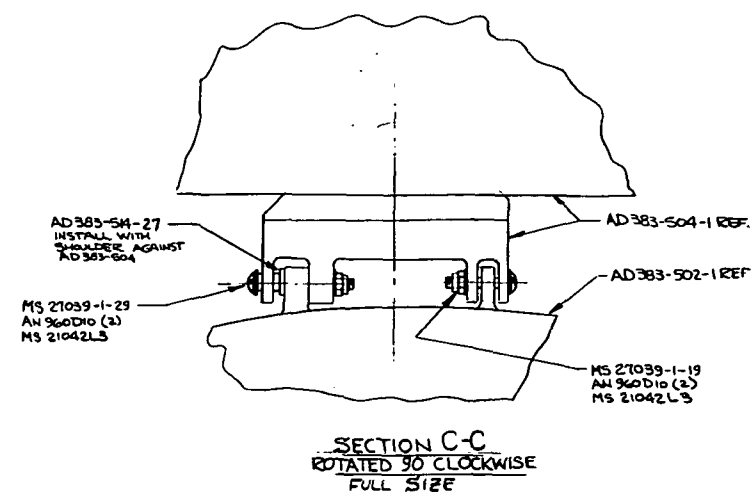




#### INITIAL ERECTION PROCEDURE:-

- 1- STAND L.H. SRM ASSYS ON LEVEL FLOOR AS SHN IN VIEW E-E. SRM Q TO BE PARALLEL WITHIN  $\pm 0.30$ .
- 2- LOWER INTERTANK (I/T) SKIRT ASSY BETWEEN PRE-POSITIONED SRM'S.
- 3- INSTALL LINK INSTALLATIONS AD383-521-1 & 2 AND WITH AD383-522-17 SPACERS IN PLACE INSERT BOLTS AS SHN IN DETAIL "D". DO NOT TIGHTEN NUTS.
- 4- POSITION & ASSEMBLE LO TANK ON UPPER FLANGE OF I/T SKIRT. CONNECT FLEXIBLE DRAIN LINE TO FITTINGS ON LO TANK AND I/T SKIRT. (REF DWGS AD383-502 & AD383-506 FOR HARDWARE).
- 5- POSITION & ASSEMBLE LH TANK (WITH AFT SKIRT PRE-ASSEMBLED) ON LOWER FLANGE OF I/T SKIRT. (REF DWG AD383-506 FOR HARDWARE).
- 6- ALIGN C OF HO TANK TO C OF SRM'S AS FOLLOWS:-  
 ✓ WITH ONE JOINT AT HO TANK STA 113.43 BOTTOMED SPACER AD383-522-17 ALIGN C OF HO TANK PARALLEL TO C OF SRM'S  
 ✓ MEASURE GAPS AT OTHER THREE POINTS AT SPACERS ON HO TANK  
 ✓ PEEL LAMINATED SHIM AD383-522-25 AS REQD & SLIP INTO GAP AT JOINT. TIE WITH SAFETY WIRE THRU HOLES PROVIDED.
- 7- WITH HO TANK ALIGNED POSITION & INSTALL LINK LINK INST. AD383-518-1 ADJUST LGTH OF STRUTS AS REQD & TIGHTEN LOCK NUTS.
- 8- TIGHTEN ALL BOLTS AT HO TANK STAS. 113.43 & 210.99

(CONTINUED)



#### INITIAL ERECTION PROCEDURE (CONTINUED)

- 9- POSITION & INSTALL ORBITER AS FOLLOWS:-  
 ✓ ORIENT ORBITER IN VERTICAL POSITION  
 ✓ ENGAGE BEARING ON HOTANK IN SOCKET ON ORBITER & AT ORBITER STA 163.25 & INSTALL STRUTS AD383-517-19 (SEE SECTION D-B)  
 ✓ JOIN ORBITER TO HO TANK AT TANK STA 148.75 (SEE SECTION C-C)

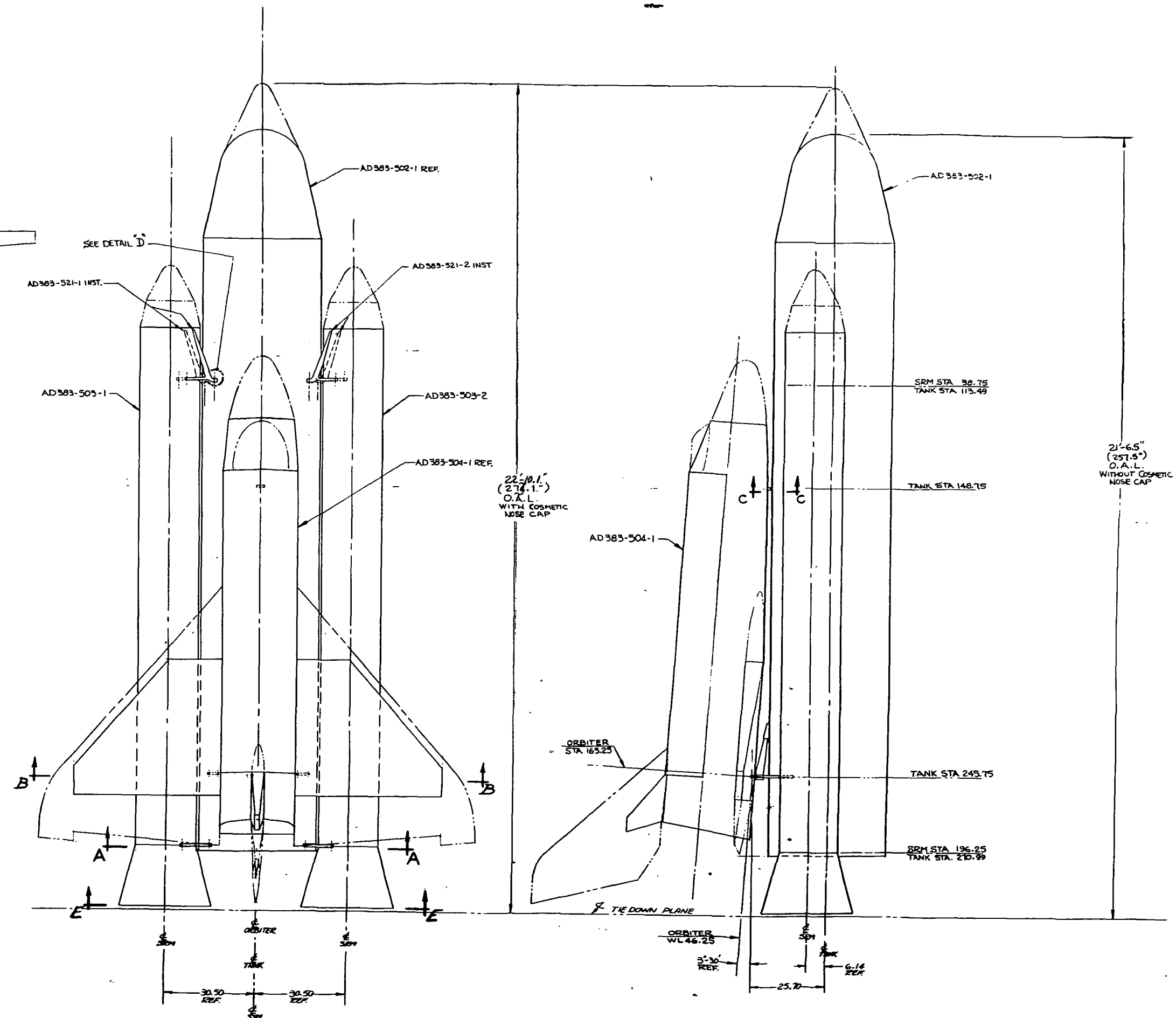
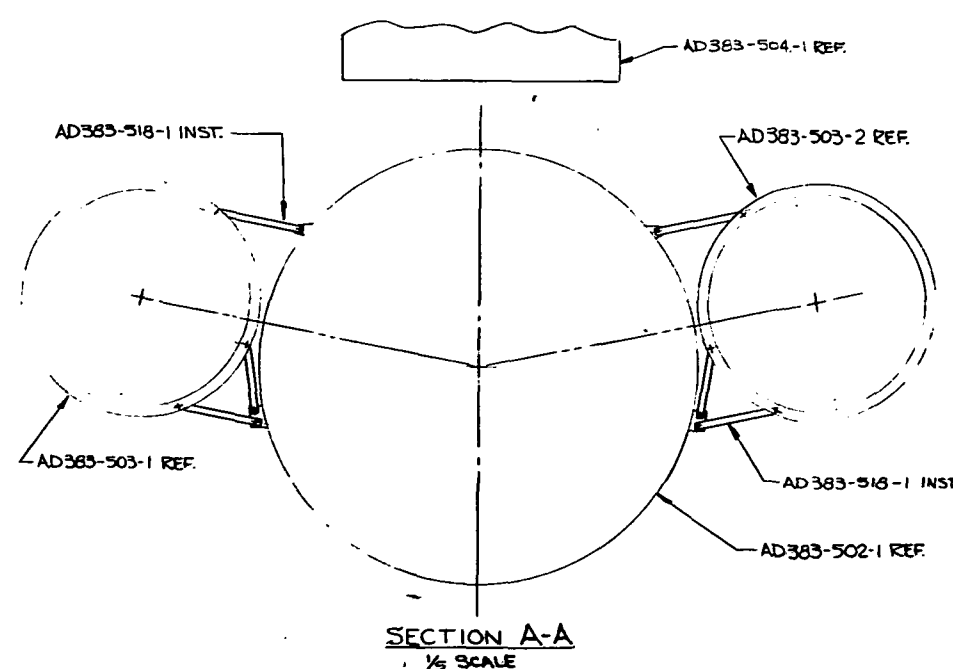
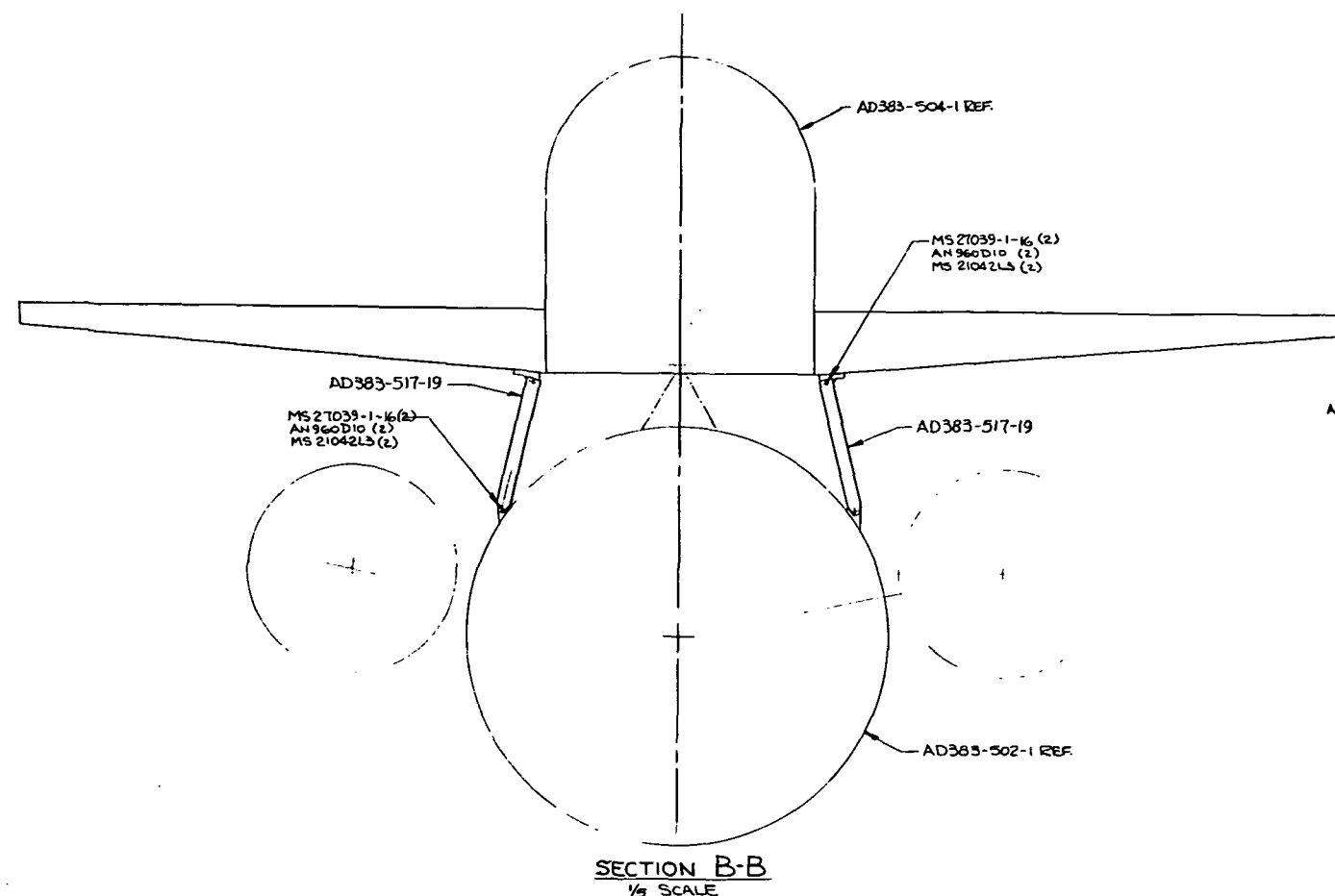


Fig. 10 Assembly Drawing (AD 383-501) of 1/8 Scale Shuttle Structural Dynamics Model

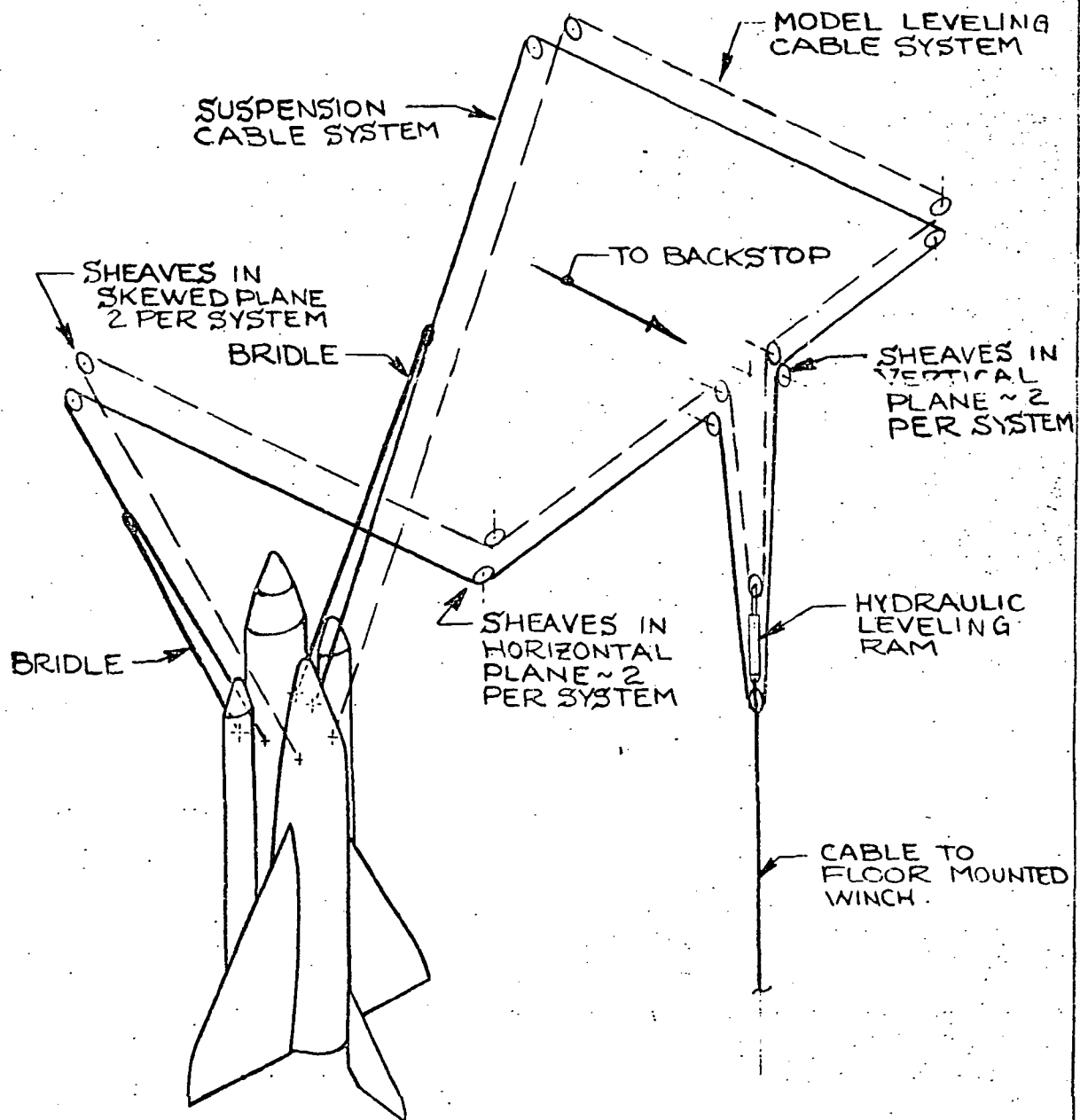


FIGURE 11  
SCHEMATIC OF MODEL  
SUSPENSION AND LEVELING  
SYSTEMS.





APPENDIX A

SUMMARY OF INTERSTAGE FORCES  
FOR 1 LB. OSCILLATING FORCE  
APPLIED AT ORBITER ENGINE

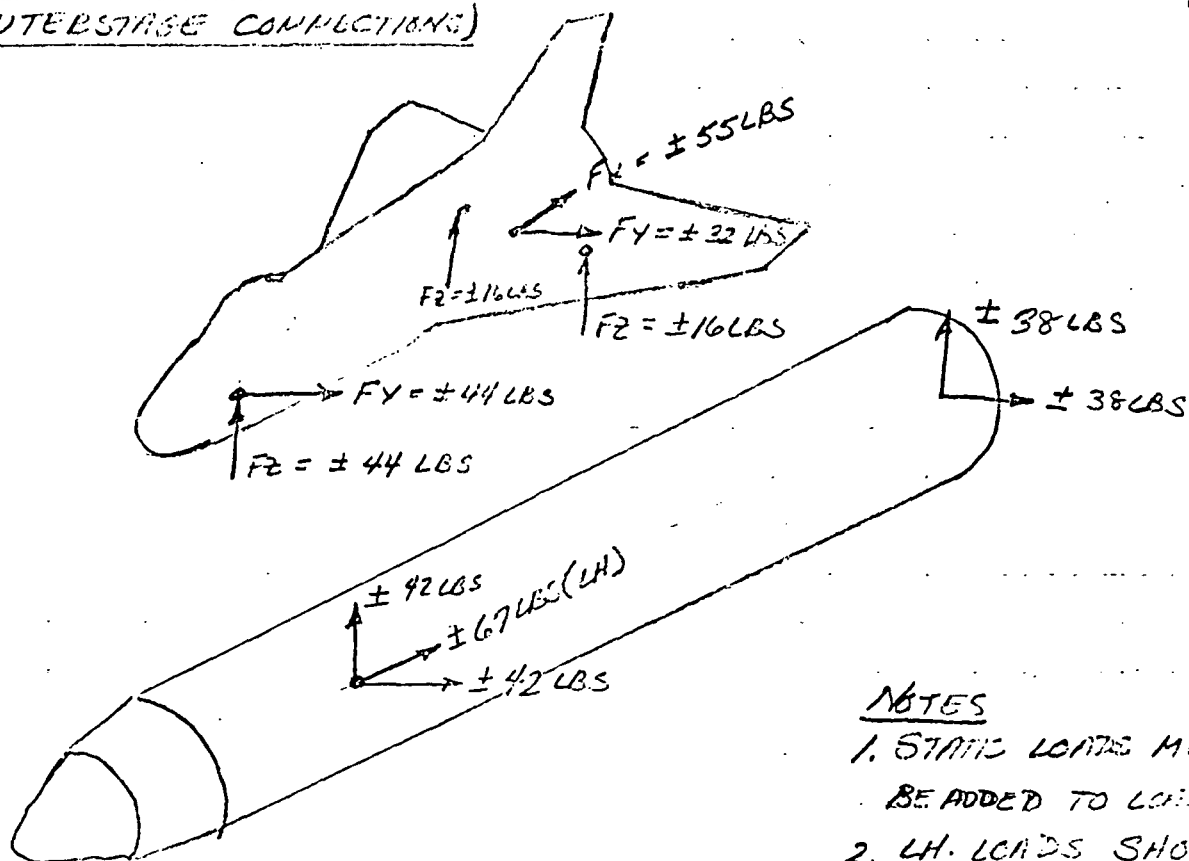
APPENDIX A 1/8 SCALE MODEL - SUMMARY OF INTERSTAGE FORCES WITH 1 LB OSCILLATING FORCE APPLIED AT ORBITER ENGINE

(FORCES ARE IN LBS)

	ORB/HO TANK INSIDE			HO TANK/SEP INTERSTAGE				
	FWD		AFT	FORWARD			AFT	
	Fz	Fx	Fz	Fx	Fy	Fz	Fy	Fz
LIFTOFF	±13.9	±20.6	±16.1	±22.1	5.1	±21.2	±10.6	±19.0
MAX Q	±13.8	±17.9	±10.0	±33.7	±1.3	±19.1	±9.5	±12.3
SRM B/O	±21.8	±27.5	±11.8	±4.7	±2.7	±12.3	4.90	±15.8
POST SEP	±18.9	±24.2	±8.9	—	—	—	—	—
SSME B/O	±2.6	±10.5	±3.6	—	—	—	—	—

SPACE SHUTTLE MAIN ENGINE BURN OUT

RECOMMENDED VALUES FOR MODEL DESIGN (ie 2LB input)  
(INTERSTAGE CONNECTIONS)



NOTES

1. STATIC LOADS MUST BE ADDED TO LOADS SHOWN
2. LH. LOADS SHOWN RH LOADS OPP. FOR TANK TO SRM CONNECTIONS

# FORCES AND BENDING MOMENTS (LIFTOFF)

## 1/2 SCALE MODEL WITH 1<sup>st</sup> INLET FORCE APPLIED

### AT CRUISE ENGINE

FULL SCALE FORCES IN KIIPS & MOMENTS IN IN-KIPS

ORIG. STA.	ORIG. STA.	Px	Px	V <sub>2</sub>	V <sub>2</sub>	BH	E.I.
FULL SCALE	MODEL	F.S.	MOD	F.S.	MOD	F.S.	MOD
NOS 1-200 318	NOS 1-25 39.75	2.7	2	4.3	3.2	167	15.
444	55.5	5.4	4	6.7	5.0	705	25.
500	62.5	18.0	13.3	15.3	11.3	1356	125.
570	71.25	20.5	15.2	9.8	7.3	2426	224.
704	88.0	22.1	16.4	7.33	5.4	2345	217.
832.5	104.06	22.5	17.	6.90	5.1	2524	235.
925.5	122.44	23.3	17.2	6.53	4.8	2657	246.
1006	125.75	23.6	17.5	5.56	4.1	2956	273.
1162	145.25	20.27	15.6	7.24	5.4	4052	375.
1237	154.62	26.34	19.5	7.42	5.5	4500	416.
<b>TANK STA</b>							
FULL SCALE							
NOS 1-20 203.5	25.44						
258.6	25.44	.13	.1	3.2	3.8	122	11
353.7	37.32	.19	.14	10.1	7.5	620	57.
515.5	49.21	.23	.18	15.8	11.7	1511	140.
637.3	64.44	.27	.2	19.7	14.6	3407	315.
762.3	79.66	.32	.24	21.0	15.5	5802	537.
762.3-	95.29	.32	.24	21.0	15.5	8429	720.
762.3+	95.29	33.4	24.7	23.1	17.1	8525	793.
873.3	109.16	33.4	24.7	21.7	16.1	8243	762.
1078-	134.75	33.4	24.7	21.7	16.1	9167	848.
1078+	134.75	33.3	24.7	13.7	9.9	9167	848.
1302	162.75	33.3	24.7	11.9	8.8	10774	997.
1562	195.25	33.2	24.7	9.4	7.0	11749	1080.
1822-	227.75	33.2	24.7	9.4	7.0	11567	1070.
1822+	227.75	30.6	22.7	25.6	19.0	10089	920.
2077.1	259.64	2.8	2.1	27.3	20.2	2513	320.
2206.3	275.79	2.8	2.1	27.3	20.2	5.81	.5
<b>NO TANK</b>							

**FORCES AND BENDING MOMENTS (LIFT-OFF)**  
**1/8 SCALE MODEL WITH #1 INPUT FORCE**      **APPLIED**  
**AT ORBITER ENGINE**

- MODEL, F = LBS, BM = IN-LBS.

FULL SCALE, FORCES IN KIPS, MOMENT IN IN-KIPS

TANK	TANK	Px	Px	Vx	Vx	Vz	Mx	Mx	Mz	Mz
STA FS	STA MOD	FS	MOD	FS	MOD	FS	FS	MOD	FS	MOD
762.3	9529	25.8	22.	7.4	55	26.8	608	56.2	3009	278.
1002.97	12537	24.8	18.4	5.3	3.9	17.4	6212	575	2852	21.8
1203.14	15546	19.7	14.6	4.6	3.4	6.2	10407	962	2333	215.8
1484.3	18538	14.1	10.4	4.25	3.5	7.2	11883	1099	2720	251.6
1724.98	21562	8.8	6.5	3.9	2.9	17.4	10239	947	2522	233
1966.65	24571	3.4	2.5	7.3	5.4	25.2	6041	559	1657	153
2206.3	27579	3.4	2.5	7.3	5.4	25.2	141	13.	97.2	9

**INTER-STAGE LOADS (KIPS)**

ORBITER TO HO TANK	Fz	Fz	Fz	Fx	Fz	Fz	Fz	Fz
	FWD FS	FWD MOD	FWD FS	AFT MOD	AFT FS	AFT FS	AFT MOD	
	18.8	13.9	27.8	20.5	21.7	16.1		
SRM TO HO TANK	Fx	Fx	Fy	Fy	Fz	Fz	Fz	Fz
	FWD FS	FWD MOD	FWD FS	FWD MOD	FWD FS	FWD MOD	AFT FS	AFT MOD
	25.8	22.1	6.92	6.1	25.7	21.2	25.7	19.0

# FORCES AND BENDING MOMENTS (SEM BURNOUT)

1/8 SCALE MODEL WITH INPUT FORCE APPLIED

AT CAPTIVE ENGINE -

F.S. FORCES IN KIIPS, MOMENTS IN-KIPS

MODEL FORCES IN LBS, " IN-LBS

ORB. STA FULL SCALE	ORB. STA MODEL	P <sub>x</sub> FS	P <sub>x</sub> MOD	V <sub>z</sub> FS	V <sub>z</sub> MOD	B.M. F.S	B.M. MOD
318	39.75	2.8	2.1	2.8	2.1	125	11.5
444	55.5	5.6	4.1	3.5	2.6	482	44.6
500	62.5	18.9	14.0	9.5	7.0	709	65.6
570	71.25	21.5	15.9	15.1	11.2	1287	119.
704	80.0	23.1	17.1	10.1	7.5	1688	156
832.5	104.06	24.	17.8	9.0	6.7	2279	211
979.5	116.19	24.4	18.1	8.0	5.9	2956	273
1006	125.75	24.7	18.3	5.6	4.1	3606	334
1162	145.25	21.1	15.6	7.5	5.6	4772	441
1237	159.62	27.4	20.3	7.7	5.7	5017	464
TANK STA FULL SCALE							
203.5	25.44	.14	.10	.9	.67	111.7	10.3
258.6	37.33	.20	.15	5.2	3.8	153.	17.9
353.7	49.21	.23	.17	20.2	14.9	656	63.5
515.5	64.44	.28	.21	28.8	21.3	3149	291
637.3	79.66	.33	.24	28.5	21.1	6653	615
762.3-	95.29-	.33	.24	28.5	21.1	10215	945
762.3+	95.29+	35.2	26.0	23.2	17.2	10468	968
873.3	109.16	35.2	26.0	23.1	17.1	13048	1207
1078-	134.75-	35.2	26.0	23.1	17.1	17767	1643
1078+	134.75+	35.3	26.1	7.8	5.8	17769	1644
1302	162.75	35.4	26.2	10.9	8.1	16014	1481
1562	195.12	35.5	26.3	14.1	10.4	13167	1218
1822-	227.5-	35.5	26.3	14.1	10.4	9498	879
1822+	227.5+	7.5	5.6	22.2	16.4	8549	791
2077.1	259.44	2.9	2.1	21.8	16.1	2897	262
2205.3	275.79	2.9	2.1	21.8	16.1	85.	2.2

# FORCES AND BENDING MOMENTS (SPH BOAT)

1/8 SCALE MODEL WITH INPUT FORCE AT CENTER ENGINE

F.S. FORCES IN LBS, MOMENTS IN-FTS

MOD. FORCES IN LBS, " IN-LBS

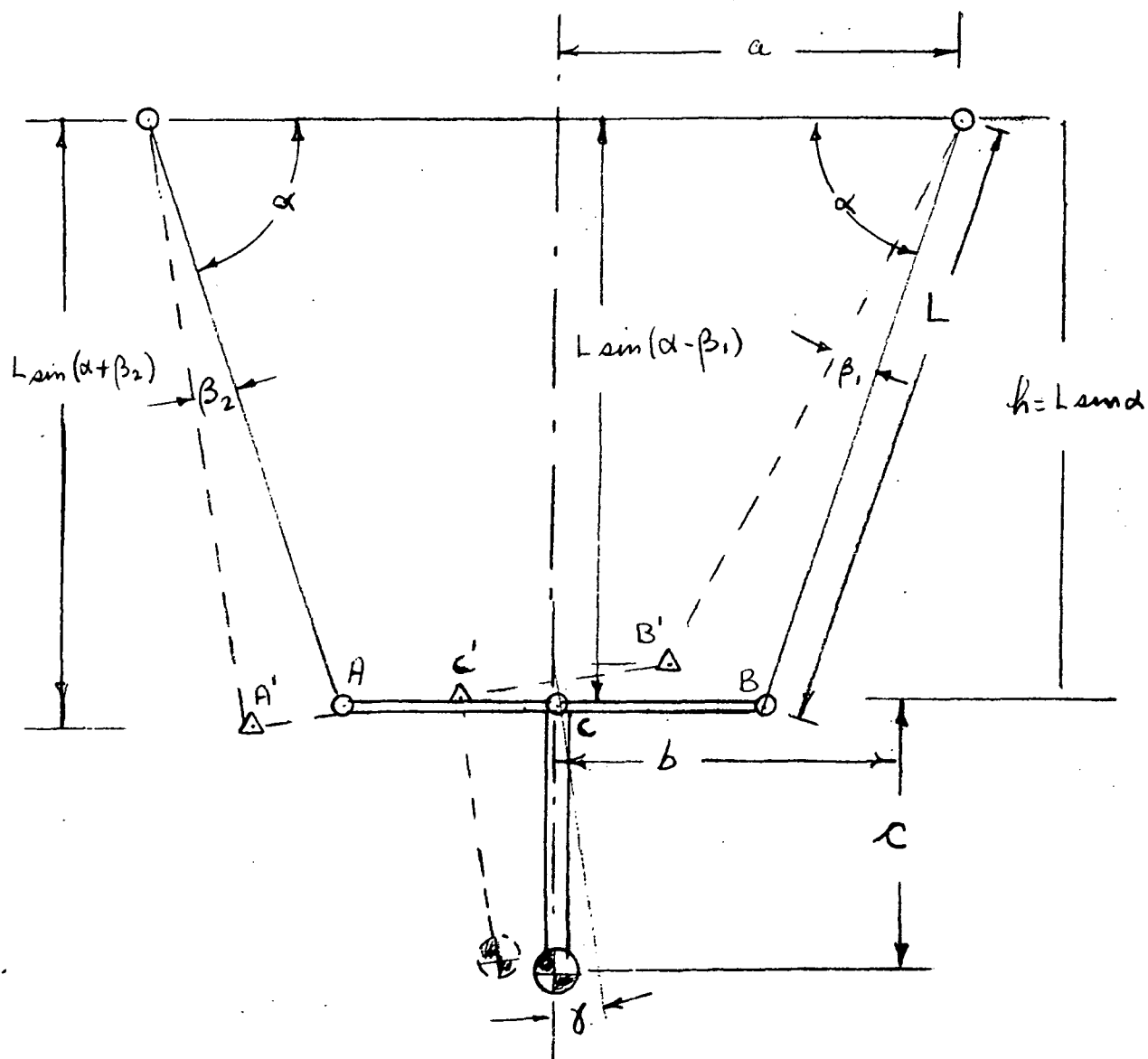
HO TANK STA F.S.	HO TANK STA. - MODEL	Px FS	Px MOD	Vx F.S.	Vx MOD	Vz FS	Vz MOD	Hx FS	Hx MOD	Mx FS	Mx MOD
762.3	95.29	27.5	22.1	7.4	5.5	26.8	19.8	608	56.2	2010	278
1002.57	125.37	24.8	18.4	5.5	3.9	17.5	13.0	6212	575	2072	268
1243.61	155.455	19.7	14.6	4.6	3.4	6.2	4.6	10407	962	2575	216
1464.3	185.58	14.1	10.4	4.7	3.5	7.2	5.5	11003	1099	2720	272
1724.98	215.62	8.7	6.4	3.9	2.9	17.4	12.9	10239	947	2772	288
1965.65	245.71	3.4	2.5	7.3	5.4	25.2	18.6	6041	559	1657	153
2206.3	275.79	3.4	2.5	7.3	5.4	25.2	18.6	441	13	97	9

APPENDIX B

RESONANT FREQUENCY OF BODY  
SUSPENDED FROM THE TWO ANGLED WIRES

## APPENDIX B

## RESONANT FREQUENCY OF BODY SUSPENDED FROM TWO ANGLED WIRES



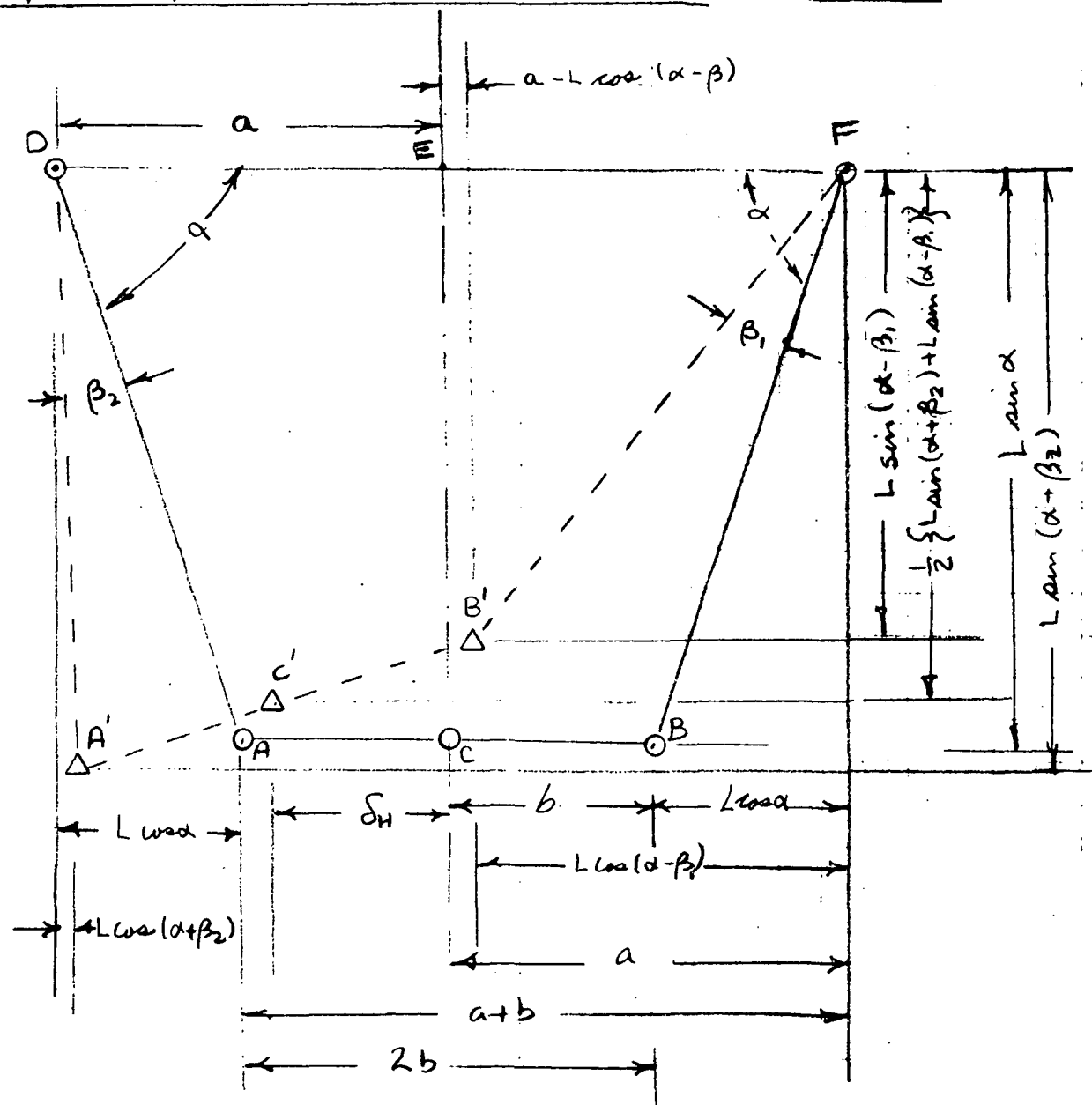
### IDEALIZED MODEL SUSPENSION SYSTEM

FIG. B-1



## GEOMETRY OF SUSPENSION SYSTEM

FIG. B-2



The analysis uses Lagrange's equations to derive the equations of motion. The potential energy is calculated from the vertical displacement of the center of gravity due to translation and rotation. The kinetic energy is determined by adding the components due to linear and rotational velocities. Assumptions of small motions and equality of small angles are used to simplify the analysis. The longitudinal flexibility due to the air springs and the cable elasticity are also omitted as further simplifying assumptions.

DEFLECTION  $\delta$ , FROM FIG. B-2

HORIZ. DISTANCE FROM A' TO F =  $(a+b) + (a-b) - L \cos(\alpha + \beta_2)$

HORIZ. DISTANCE FROM B' TO F =  $L \cos(\alpha - \beta_1)$

HORIZ. DISTANCE FROM C' TO F IS THE AVERAGE OF POINTS A' AND B' THEREFOR:

$$\delta_H = \frac{1}{2} \{ a+b + a-b - L \cos(\alpha + \beta_2) + L \cos(\alpha - \beta_1) \} - a$$

USING TRIGONOMETRIC SUBSTITUTIONS

$$\delta_H = \frac{1}{2} \{ 2a + L \cos \alpha (\cos \beta_1 - \cos \beta_2) + L \sin \alpha (\sin \beta_1 + \sin \beta_2) \} - a$$

ASSUME  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$  THEN

$$\delta_H = L \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

VERTICAL DISTANCE OF B' FROM LINE DF =  $L \sin(\alpha - \beta_1)$

VERTICAL DISTANCE OF A' FROM LINE DF =  $L \sin(\alpha + \beta_2)$

VERTICAL DISTANCE OF C' IS THE AVERAGE OF POINTS A' AND B', THEREFOR:

$$\delta_V = L \sin \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \{ L \sin(\alpha + \beta_2) + L \sin(\alpha - \beta_1) \}$$

USING TRIGONOMETRIC SUBSTITUTIONS

$$\delta_V = L \sin \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \{ L \sin \alpha (\cos \beta_1 + \cos \beta_2) - L \cos \alpha (\sin \beta_1 - \sin \beta_2) \}$$

ASSUME  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$  THEN

$$\delta_V = L \sin \alpha \{ 1 - \cos \beta \}$$

$$\delta = (\delta_V^2 + \delta_H^2)^{1/2}$$

$$= \{ (L \sin \alpha - L \sin \alpha \cos \beta)^2 + L^2 \sin^2 \alpha \sin^2 \beta \}^{1/2}$$

$$= \{ L^2 \sin^2 \alpha - 2L^2 \sin^2 \alpha \cos \beta + L^2 \sin^2 \alpha (\cos^2 \beta + \sin^2 \beta) \}^{1/2}$$

$$= \{ 2L^2 \sin^2 \alpha - 2L^2 \sin^2 \alpha \cos \beta \}^{1/2}$$

$$\delta = 2L \sin \alpha \left( \frac{1 - \cos \beta}{2} \right)^{1/2} = 2L \sin \alpha \sin \frac{\beta}{2}$$

ROTATION  $\gamma$ , FROM FIG. B-1 AND FIG B-2

$\sin \gamma = \text{DIFFERENCE IN VERTICAL DEFLECTIONS OF A' AND B'} \div 2b$

$$= \frac{L}{2b} [\sin(\alpha + \beta_2) - \sin(\alpha - \beta_1)]$$

ASSUME  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$

$$\sin \gamma = \frac{L}{b} \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

ASSUME  $\gamma$  AND  $\beta$  ARE SMALL ANGLES

$$\text{THEN } \delta = \left( \frac{L}{b} \cos \alpha \right) \beta$$

POTENTIAL ENERGY

$$V = mgL \sin \alpha \{1 - \cos \beta\} + mgL (1 - \cos \gamma)$$

WHERE  $mg$  IS THE WEIGHT OF THE SUSPENDED BODY

ASSUME  $\cos \beta \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2$ ,  $\cos \gamma \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2 \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{L^2 \cos^2 \alpha}{b^2} \right) \beta^2$

$$V = mgL \left( \frac{\beta^2}{2} \right) \sin \alpha + mgL \frac{L^2}{b^2} \left( \frac{\beta^2}{2} \right) \cos^2 \alpha$$

NOTE AT  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$  THIS IS EQUAL TO  $V$  FOR SIMPLE PENDULUM

KINETIC ENERGY

$$T = \frac{m}{2} \dot{\delta}^2 + \frac{I_0}{2} \dot{\gamma}^2$$

WHERE  $I_0$  IS THE MASS MOMENT OF INERTIA OF THE

SUSPENDED BODY =  $\frac{m}{2} [c^2 + k^2]$  ABOUT POINT C,

$k$  IS THE RADIUS OF GYRATION =  $(I_{CG}/m)^{1/2}$

$$T = \frac{m}{2} (L^2 \sin^2 \alpha) \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{m}{2} [c^2 + k^2] \left[ \frac{L^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \right] \dot{\beta}^2$$

LAGRANGE'S EQUATION  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\beta}} \right) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \beta} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\beta}} \right) = m(L^2 \sin^2 \alpha) \ddot{\beta} + m[c^2 + k^2] \left[ \frac{L^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \right] \ddot{\beta}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \beta} = (mgL \sin \alpha) \beta + \left( mgL \frac{L^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \right) \beta$$

COMBINING INTO THE PROPER FORM

$$L^2 \left( \sin^2 \alpha + \frac{c^2 + k^2}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \right) \ddot{\beta} + gL \left( \sin \alpha + \frac{L}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha \right) \beta = 0$$

THEREFORE  $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{g \sin \alpha + \frac{L}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha}{L \sin^2 \alpha + \left[ \frac{c^2 + k^2}{b^2} \right] \cos^2 \alpha} \right)^{1/2}$ , THE RESONANT FREQUENCY IN HZ.

NOTE: WHEN  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$  (VERTICAL SUSPENSION) THIS REDUCES TO A SIMPLE PENDULUM<sup>2</sup>, OR  $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{g}{L} \right)^{1/2}$

WHEN  $\alpha = 0$  (HORIZONTAL SUSPENSION) THIS REDUCES TO A COMPOUND PENDULUM, OR  $f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{g L}{c^2 + k^2} \right)^{1/2}$

# CALCULATION OF RESONANT FREQUENCIES FOR 5 WEIGHT CONDITIONS

COND.	$\kappa$ (IN.)	W (lbs)	$I_{xx}$ (lb-in <sup>2</sup> )	$I_{yy}$ (lb-in <sup>2</sup> )	$I_{zz}$ (lb-in <sup>2</sup> )	$k_{xx}^2$ (in <sup>2</sup> )	$k_{yy}^2$ (in <sup>2</sup> )
a	48.9	9432	6912900	44617600	49413300	733	4730
b	40.6	7103	4867200	34028700	37047000	685	4791
c	26.4	3734	1877600	18463300	18803100	503	4945
d	12.5	2992	1105000	12480600	12166200	369	4171
e	89.9	675	379300	2412300	2400100	562	3574

COND.	$k_{zz}^2$ (in <sup>2</sup> )	$c^2 + k_{zz}^2$	$\frac{c^2 + k_{zz}^2}{b^2}$	$\frac{cL}{b^2}$	A *	B **	$\left( \frac{g A}{L B} \right)^{1/2}$	f (Hz)
a	5239	7630	24.15	33.41	2.9798	2.3930	1.49208	.24
b	5216	6864	21.72	27.74	2.6386	2.2468	1.44903	.23
c	5036	5760	18.23	18.38	2.0754	2.0368	1.34974	.21
d	4066	4222	13.36	8.54	1.4834	1.7438	1.23325	.20
e	3556	11638	36.83	61.42	4.6651	3.1560	1.62570	.26

$$* A = \sin \alpha + \frac{cL}{b^2} \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$** B = \sin^2 \alpha + \left( \frac{c^2 + k^2}{b^2} \right) \cos^2 \alpha$$

$$a = 70.73 \text{ in.}, b = 17.78 \text{ in.}, L = 215.89 \text{ in.}, h = 204.3 \text{ in.}$$

$$\sin \alpha = .9695, \cos \alpha = .2453$$